WEATHER FORECASTS

Victoria and Vicinity—Southerly winds, partly cloudy and mild, with occasional rain.

Lower Mainland—Partly cloudy and mild with occasional rain.

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A Bright and Merry Christmas to One and All

SITE FOR DRYDOCK WILL BE ACQUIRED BY EXPROPRIATION

Order-in-Council Is Passed at Ottawa Providing for Action—Hon. Dr. Tolmie Is Informed That Work May Be Proceeded With as Soon as Contract Is Let.

INCREASE TO BE MADE IN FORCE NOW EMPLOYED IN NAVY YARD

"Order expropriating Skinner Cove property passed. Work should now proceed as soon as tenders called for and contract let. Unnecessary to await completion of expropriation proceedings."

The above is a copy of a telegram received last night by Hon. S. F. Tolmie, Federal Minister of Agriculture, from Hon. Arthur L. Sifton, Minister of Public Works at Ottawa.

Dr. Tolmie last night stated that he was glad indeed that the federal cabinet had taken such speedy action in regard to the drydock, as the appearance of matters when he left Ottawa was such that he had little hope of action until his return East after the holidays.

Troublesome Delays

The first hitch in the negotiations over the dock occurred when Admiral Jellicoe condemned the Esquimalt site as a naval base, claiming that it was too small and unprotected. Dr. Tolmie, however, was able to convince the cabinet that while Esquimalt might have its shortcomings as a naval base, its location for the purpose of a commercial drydock was unrivalled.

The second delay was caused, it is understood, by the attitude assumed by the Hudson's Bay Company, which asked a price regarded by the Government as prohibitive for the Skinner's Cove property. The result of this development is that the Government has decided to exercise its privilege of expropriation, and the order-in-council will permit this being done. Tenders will be called for without loss of time.

Navy Yard to Be Busy

More men are to be employed at the Esquimalt navy yard, the delegation was informed in Ottawa. Recognising the need for more employment during the Winter months, the department has decided to have much of the overhauling and repair work on the fisheries and naval service boats carried out within the next few months instead of waiting until the Spring, when the employment situation is not likely to be so acute. There are now about 75 men employed at the navy yard. The department plans to have 400 to 500 men engaged there in the near future.

TELLS OF WORK DONE BY THUGS

American Officer Gives Evidence Relating to Deeds of Violence by Depraved Soldiers at Le Mans, France.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Murders and robberies in Le Mans by American and French soldiers, using women as decoys, were disclosed today by Major George Armstrong, of Detroit, who served as Assistant Provost Marshal in the American troop area.

Major Armstrong was called by the defence as a witness at the court-martial on Capt. Karl W. Detzer, of the 308th military police company, who is charged with cruelty to prisoners while directing criminal investigation in Le Mans.

Major Armstrong testified that he had direct charge of 2,200 military policemen in Le Mans from August, 1918, until January, 1919, and that during this period 1,500,000 Americans passed through the area.

A large lawless element was at work, he said, and while he was in Le Mans, 25 murders were committed and chateaus robbed of thousands of dollars' worth of furnishings. The thugs, he said, were known as the "rover gang," "chateau gang," "jewelry gang," and by other designations denoting their "specialty."

All the thugs are now serving sentences of two to five years. All M. P.'s in the area were ordered not to strike prisoners except in self-defence, he said.

Major McKeever Injured

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—Major E. J. McKeever, of Listowel, Ont., a prominent flyer, who was recently appointed to a responsible position at the flying field at Mineola, N.Y., was brought from Stratford to the general hospital tonight, unconscious, with one leg broken and with other serious injuries as the result of a motor accident near Stratford today.

Spanish Palace Destroyed

MADRID, Dec. 24.—Fire virtually destroyed the palace of the Duchess of Mansanad. Several masterpieces, objects of art and much jewelry were consumed, involving enormous loss.

ARRANGE FUNERAL OF SIR JOHN ALCOCK

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The remains of Sir John Alcock, who died December 19 at Rouen from injuries when his airplane crashed near Cottevrard, Normandy, were brought here today. The body will be deposited in the Marylebone Chapel and conveyed to Manchester tomorrow for interment in the Southern Cemetery after special services at the Cathedral.

The Aero Club of America has sent the following message: "Please convey to Sir John Alcock's family our deepest condolences, and express, on behalf of the American aeronautical world our realization of the great and irreparable loss we have sustained."

MINERS ACCEPT WAGE AGREEMENT

Workers in Crow's Nest Collieries Assent to Increase Arrangement—O.B.U. Complications Threatened.

FERNIE, B.C., Dec. 24.—The recent announcement from Calgary with reference to the new working agreement between the Western Coal Operators' Association and representatives of the U.M.W. of A. for this district, carrying a 14 per cent. general advance in wages, and approved by the director of coal operations, has created much interest locally and is the topic of conjecture in this camp and throughout District 18, where the large majority of the miners have definitely renounced the U.M.W. of America and gone over to the One Big Union.

The miners of Gladstone local union here held a special mass meeting this morning, at which, it is reported, there was a very large attendance, and after a lengthy session the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Believing that it is essential that there should be no disruption of the coal mining industry, this mass meeting of miners is prepared to accept the 14 per cent. advance offered by the coal operators and agree to keep the new agreement made by both parties, but will fight to a finish any attempt to force us to join the U.M.W. of A."

This decision is interpreted to mean that pending further developments the rumored strike, supposed to be called for January 1 by the One Big Union in these fields, will not materialize. Under the new agreement, apparently, the United Mine Workers of America have won a decisively favorable point by achieving for its members through the check-off what virtually amounts to an absolute closed shop, while with the local miners bearing allegiance to the officially unrecognised One Big Union, the peculiarity of the situation is quite evident.

The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. yesterday notified the City Council that in view of the wage increases just granted to mine employees, averaging 14 per cent. all around, the director of coal operations had granted them authority to make a corresponding advance in the price of coal to consumers. This increase in the selling price will amount to 24 cents per ton, and is retroactive from December 15. The wage increases are retroactive from December 1.

Death of Rev. John Wright

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 24.—Rev. John Wright, rector emeritus of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, died here last night. Dr. Wright was 93 years old and was considered an international authority on Egyptology.

NO ISSUE ON FRIDAY MORNING

Christmas Day will be observed as a holiday by the members of The Colonist staff. There will be no issue of the paper on Friday morning.

STARVING PEOPLE GET CHRISTMAS GIFT

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A $2,000,000 Christmas present for starving people of the Near East was voted today at a meeting of the executive committee of the Near East Relief called in response to urgent pleas for help from Alexander I. Khatisoin, Premier of Armenia, and leading ecclesiastics.

C. H. Dodge announced the appropriation, explaining that the money would be placed immediately at the disposal of Col. William N. Haskell, representative in the Caucasus of the Near East Relief, and high commissioner for the Allied powers, for the purchase of flour.

SHIP DELEGATION BACK FROM OTTAWA

Programme for Cholberg Shipyard Assured—Ratification by Government Expected Momentarily.

Resumption of wooden shipbuilding in Victoria within a few days is assured, members of the special delegation headed by Mayor Robert J. Porter stated yesterday.

A telegram from Ottawa is momentarily expected, announcing that the federal cabinet has endorsed the terms of an agreement negotiated between Sir Henry Drayton, Finance Minister, and representatives of the Cholberg Shipyard, whereby the Cholberg company contracts to build four wooden schooners at its two-way yard, the Dominion Government advancing 75 per cent of the capital at approximately 6 per cent interest.

The programme of the Foundation Company is still uncertain, but members of the delegation expressed hopefulness that the company would secure new orders to keep the big plant going. If the company is unable to close a deal with the Government on the same basis as in the case of the Cholberg Company, it is possible that contracts will be secured from foreign interests, the Canadian Government assisting financially in getting the project under way. The scheme is at an indefinite stage so far, however.

The shipbuilding delegation returned to Victoria yesterday afternoon, accompanied by Dr. S. F. Tolmie, Minister of Agriculture, who will remain in Victoria for about a week. Those in the party, besides Dr. Tolmie, were Mayor Porter, Mr. Frank Giolma, M.P.P., Mr. H. J. Young, representing the returned soldier interests; Messrs. James Dakers and Alex. Watchman, labor's representatives; Mr. Chris Cholberg, proprietor of the Cholberg Shipyard, and Mr. Clarence Hoard, president of the Bainbridge Lumber Company.

Mayor Porter declined to make a statement on the work of the delegation. Other members of the party stated that Sir Henry Drayton had told them to refrain from discussing details of the plans until they are actually ratified by the Government.

Dr. Tolmie, who is suffering a severe cold and is at present confined to the house, last night gave out the following statement on the conditions at present existing in regard to the construction of additional wooden vessels at Victoria:

"An order-in-council has been passed for an agreement to be entered into with the new company as soon as it is incorporated. Work can, in the meantime, be proceeded with. Moneys are all ready.

"This company was represented at Ottawa by the Cholberg interests, is backed largely by local capital, and will undertake the construction of four sailing vessels.

"Negotiations are now proceeding with regard to wooden steamers, and important developments may be expected soon. The Government does not favor a policy for the government ownership of wooden vessels, but are using their best efforts to meet the unemployed situation, which is, perhaps, more acute in Victoria than elsewhere."

EIGHT FISHERMEN THOUGHT DROWNED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Eight fishermen were thought today to have perished in a marine tragedy due to the fog on the Bay last night, following the finding of wreckage of a fishing craft bearing the name Enrichetta, believed to have been captained by F. Onrato, and of another fishing boat. Four men, at least, are thought to have been in each boat.

Railway Official Arrested

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 4.—George Cartwright, an official in the stores department in the Canadian Government Railways, was arrested last night on a charge of stealing some $26,000 worth of silver, table linen, blankets and other pullman and dining car accessories. He was released on $2,000 bail.

SUFFER LOSSES ON FRONTIER

British Troops Have Many Casualties in Encounters With Tribesmen Among Hills on Border of India.

POSITIONS LOST ARE LATER RETAKEN

Train Is Attacked by Marauders on Northwest Frontier —Ten Indian Soldiers Killed and Sixteen Wounded.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Serious British losses are officially reported in fighting in India.

Two British units of young troops, which already had suffered considerable casualties, were attacked on December 19 by Mahsuds and Wazirl. The British wavered under severe losses and retired, but made a successful attack next day.

Indian advices say after the setback sustained by the Derajat column on the 19th the advance was continued. Severe fighting took place on the 21st, in which the British casualties were 58 killed and missing, including two officers, and 222 wounded, including eight officers. The Mahsuds suffered heavily.

The British regained the lost position on December 22, without opposition.

Advices from India report that a train was attacked recently on the Northwest Indian frontier, near Thal, by tribesmen.

The engine was derailed and the tribesmen fired on the train, killing ten and wounding 16 Indian soldiers. The attacking party afterwards robbed the passengers.

MOSCOW REPORTS MANY SUCCESSES

Retreat of Denikine's Volunteers Said to Be Blocked—Fighting in Southeast—Baltic Provinces Anxious.

GENEVA, Dec. 24.—The retreat of General Denikine's volunteers has been completely blocked, according to a Bucharest dispatch. Their only recourse, the dispatch adds, is to seek refuge in Roumania.

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 24. — The Lettish Government has asked Poland, Lithuania, Finland and Esthonia to send representatives to a conference January 4 to discuss measures to be taken to co-operate with Esthonia against the Bolsheviki aggression.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—A Bolsheviki communication from Bakhmut, about 125 miles east of Yekaterinoslav, says:

"After fierce fighting with the troops of General Mamontoff and General Shkuro, our cavalry flung the enemy back to the south and the Reds occupied Staroniensk. From November 20 to December 10 the Reds occupied 125,000 square versts of territory, together with Kiev, Kharkov, Poltava and 39 smaller towns, and captured 5,289 soldiers and 89 officers.

"On the Turkestan front Reds have occupied Balaishem, southeast of Krasnovodsk, and captured 500 prisoners."

The Bolsheviki captured 15 guns, 1,000 horses and 300 men after defeating the forces of General Mamontoff and Chelnokoff, in the region of Staroniensk, according to a wireless dispatch received from Moscow today. The dispatch adds:

"Over 1,000 Cossacks were killed, including General Chelnokoff."

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Representatives of restaurants and hotel keepers conferred with the mayor and city food experts today. They were told that the city appreciated their difficulties, but it was impossible to increase their supplies, including fat and flour.

The restaurateurs declared they were against illicit trading, but must have enough food to satisfy their guests.

ARMED MEN RAID IRISH FARMHOUSE

SKIBBEREEN, County Cork, Ireland, Dec. 24.—A party of armed men today raided a farmhouse near here and evicted the caretaker and his family.

The raiders threatened to shoot if resistance was offered, and after evicting the caretaker, reinstated the former possessor of the farmhouse and placed a guard over it.

MR. ROCKEFELLER DONATES $100,000,000 TO AID EDUCATION

RAIN CAUSES DAMAGE IN FRANCE

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Heavy continuing rains have flooded the rivers in the northeastern section of France, causing factories at Remiremont to shut down and rising above the bridges at Belfort, cutting the roads and interrupting wire communication. Much property damage has occurred.

SIR EDWARD CARSON SPEAKS TO ULSTER

BELFAST, Dec. 24. — Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Irish Unionist party, in a message to Ulsterites today appeals to them to exercise reason and patience in trying to restore normal conditions, and "above all things to bring about brotherhood and friendship."

Sir Edward says he hopes 1920 will be a year of "real and genuine peace at home and abroad."

TEXTILE MILLS IN FRANCE WORK

Industry Is Being Rapidly Restored From State of Ruin Caused by Germans—Forty Thousand Workers.

LILLE, France, Dec. 24.—Forty thousand persons are at work in the French textile mills which only a few months ago were razed or looted by Germans of their wonderfully delicate machinery. The correspondent of the Associated Press was given the facts with reference to the industry today. The French authorities have arranged a trip to show the strides made by the nation in reconstruction.

Within a year, government officials and manufacturers agree, production of textiles will reach half of the pre-war total, and within two years, these men forecast, the 1914 output will be surpassed.

The wool industry is said to be recovering most rapidly with cotton in second place. Linen weaving is reported to be slowest in getting back to normal because of the shortage of flax.

Six Cases in Toronto

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—Six cases of sleeping sickness have been reported so far by physicians in this city. Three of them have proved fatal.

Medical Schools in Canada to Benefit to Extent of $5,000,000 by Appropriation From Fund—Half of Gift Goes to Rockefeller Foundation for Medical Education

HALF TO BENEFIT TEACHERS IN U. S.

Donor Expresses His Interest in Work of Teaching Profession and His Desire to Improve Its Condition—Pays Tribute to Canada's Exertions on Behalf of Democracy

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Mr. John D. Rockefeller today gave to mankind a Christmas present of $100,000,000—half to the general education board to raise salaries of college professors, and half to the Rockefeller Foundation to aid in combatting disease through improvement of medical education, public health administration and scientific research. It is estimated that Mr. Rockefeller's public gifts now approximate $450,000,000.

While leaving to the general education board the task of selecting the colleges which shall receive awards for their teaching staffs, and the amount to each, Mr. Rockefeller urged that the principal as well as the income be used as promptly and largely as may seem wise.

The trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation also are authorized to utilize both the principal and income of their gift, in connection with which Mr. Rockefeller added that "if the board should see fit to use any part of this new gift in promoting medical education in Canada, such action would meet with my cordial approval."

Such action will be taken, according to Dr. George E. Vincent, president of the Foundation, who stated tonight that the trustees would be asked to set aside $5,000,000 for that purpose.

Wishes to Aid Teachers

It is known that for a long time Mr. Rockefeller has been interested in the problem of aiding teachers in meeting the increased cost of living. In six hundred colleges campaigns are under way to raise approximately $150,000,000 for this purpose, and while in making his gifts, Mr. Rockefeller does not specify that institutions receiving a share shall contribute a sum themselves, this has been the practice of the general education board.

In transmitting his gift to the board Mr. Rockefeller said:

"The attention of the American public has recently been drawn to the urgent and immediate necessity of providing more adequate salaries to members of the teaching profession. It is of the highest importance that those entrusted with the education of youth and the increase of knowledge should not be led to abandon their calling by reason of financial pressure, or to cling to it amidst discouragements due to financial limitations. It is of equal importance to our future welfare and progress that able and aspiring young men and women should not for similar reasons be deterred from devoting their lives to teaching.

"While this gift is made for the general corporate purposes of the board, I should cordially endorse a decision to use the principal as well as the income as promptly and largely as may seem wise for the purpose of co-operating with the higher institutions of learning in raising sums specifically devoted to the increase of teachers' salaries."

In commenting upon the gift, Dr. Wallace Butterick, president of the general edution board, said that since the end of the war it had received from colleges and universities applications for aid "which would practically exhaust the working capital of the board."

Fund for Canada

Alluding to the gift of $20,000,000 for improvement of medical education this year, Mr. Rockefeller said:

"My attention has been called to the needs of some of the medical schools in Canada, but as activities of the general educational board are by its charter limited to the United States, I understand the gift may not be used for Canadian schools.

"The Canadian people are our near neighbors. They are closely bound to us by ties of race, language and international friendship, and they have without stint sacrificed themselves, their youth, their resources, that democracy might be saved and extended. For these reasons, if your body should see fit to use any portion of this gift in promoting medical education in Canada, such action would meet with my cordial approval."

In asserting that $5,000,000 would be set aside for Canadian schools, Dr. Vincent said:

"From this sum appropriations would be made by the Foundation to medical schools on condition that they raise additional funds from other sources. It is hoped that $5,000,000 thus employed by the Foundation at this time will give a distinct impetus to the development of medical education in Canada."

Government Has Plan To Return Railroads To Owners in March

President Wilson Issues Proclamation Announcing Decision and Giving Reasons—Postponement of Action From January 1 Is Explained by Delay of Congress Legislation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. — President Wilson tonight announced that he would return the railroads to private ownership March 1.

The President also announced that the railway express companies would be restored at the same time.

In announcing these two decisions of the President, Secretary Tumulty issued the following statement:

Cause of Delay

"Last May in his message to Congress the President announced that the railroads would be handed over to their owners at the end of this calendar year. It is now necessary to act by issuing the proclamation. In the present circumstances, no agreement having yet been reached by the two houses of Congress in respect to legislation on the subject, it becomes necessary in the public interest to allow a reasonable time to elapse between the issuance of the proclamation and the date of its actually taking effect.

"The President is advised that the railroads and express companies are not organized to make it possible for them to receive and manage their properties if actually turned over to them on December 31, and if this were done it would raise financial and legal complications of a serious character.

"The railroad and express companies should be given ample opportunity to adequately prepare for the resumption of their business under the control and management of their own stockholders, directors and officers. Therefore, the transfer of possession back to the railroad companies will become effective at 12:01 a.m., March 1, 1920."

President's Proclamation

The decision of the President with regard to the railroad properties was set forth in the following proclamation:

"By the President of the United States of America:

"A proclamation:

"Relinquishment of Federal control of railroads and systems of transportation:

"Whereas, in the exercise of authority committed to me by law, I have, heretofore, through the Secretary of War, taken possession, and have, through the director-general of railroads, exercised control over certain railroads, systems of transportation and property appertaining thereto or connected therewith, systems of coastwise transportation engaged in general transportation and owned or controlled by said railroads or systems of transportation, including also terminals, terminal companies and terminal associations, sleeping and parlor cars, private cars and private car lines, elevators, telegraph and telephone lines and all other equipment

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"DRY" EPIDEMIC AFFLICTS MONTREAL

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—Today there was something in the nature of an epidemic in Montreal, judging by the increase in the number of doctors' prescriptions issued which were subsequently filled at the office of the licensed liquor vendor here. It was, however, a very different Christmas from any ever known, or to what was the case last year and many years previous. The hotels were deserted, and there were no gay throngs smiting friends and strangers alike and calling for the customary "Tom and Jerry." Hotels were quiet and even dreary.

A leader of the Quebec Legislative Assembly stated today that he believed it was intended to grant ten more licences for Montreal at the next session.

Austrian Government Employees

VIENNA, Dec. 24.—The Assembly has adopted a measure increasing the pay of government employees.

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FRANCE HAS FEARS FOR PEACE TREATY

PARIS, Dec. 24.—(Special cable to Toronto World by Alexander Ribot, ex-Premier of France)—France regards with the gravest misgivings the Knox peace resolution, which, if adopted, will shelve the peace treaty permanently, according to the general belief here.

President Wilson's stubborn refusal to listen to reason and accept the inevitable reservations proposed in the United States Senate which are now favored by the Allies, has apparently created the impression among the American people that peace will never be obtained by the peace treaty and must, therefore, be negotiated separately.

HENRY FORD PLANS BIG WAGE INCREASE

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 24.—For the past three years the fifty-two thousand employees of the Ford Motor Company plant here have been paid a minimum wage of $6 a day. Even men who did nothing more than sweep the floors drew their $36 a week for eight hours, while some of the older employees were in receipt of seven dollars for their day's work.

A plan is under consideration, whereby the minimum scale is to be made eight dollars, with the maximum $12, for all employees.

The motive underlying the motor king's activities in the matter of obtaining absolute control of all the stock in this company was in order that he might put into effect these ideas and ideals, unhampered by the objections of minority stockholders.

The turning back of profits into production, wages and reduced prices for the finished products is the mainspring of the Ford idea, and he now begins to see his way clear to do it. By next Summer he believes he will have paid off the $100,000,000 he borrowed with which to buy out minority stockholders, and that he will then be able to go ahead with his plan of paying his huge army of employees the highest uniform wages of any concern in the world.

COMMITTEE REJECTS LONDON TRAFFIC PLAN

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Board of Trade committee today rejected the scheme of A. W. Gattie to reform freight traffic in London by replacing the existing seventy-four freight depots with one central clearing house.

The committee gives as its chief reasons the huge capital expenditure involved, the displacement of a large portion of the population, the impracticability of competing with traffic over trucks connecting trunk systems with the clearing house, the congestion of street traffic created around the clearing house and the necessity of maintaining also the existing depots for coal and other minerals.

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FRENCH PLANTS ARE PARALYZED

Estimate Is Made That Eight to Ten Years Will Be Needed for Restoration of Steel and Iron Industry.

VALENCIENNES, France, Dec. 24.—France's steel and iron industry, virtually cut in half by war ravages, is faced by what engineers estimate to be an eight or ten-year task of reconstruction.

Details of the problem were related today to the correspondent of the Associated Press who is visiting the devastated regions of France by a special government dispensation.

Engineering experts, however, say the country's steel and iron production may be much quickened by the mineral mining and metal treating plants of Lorraine, returned to France under the terms of the Versailles treaty. The seriousness of the loss to the industry by war nevertheless is heightened by the great necessity for metal construction throughout liberated districts and the dependence of nearly 150,000 inhabitants of these regions on the blast furnaces and metal mills for a living.

In Valenciennes, Triest, St. Leger, Fresnoy, Anzin, and other towns of this district, the destruction suffered as a result of the conflict is estimated at 98 per cent, including the obliteration of the Denain and Anzin works, which were the most important in France.

Of the more than five hundred small metal treating and metal construction plants of the devastated region, government reports show forty-seven per cent have resumed work, but with only fourteen per cent of the pre-war force. This does not include the large plants, which alone are said to be capable of meeting the country's chief needs in the way of structural materials and important machinery taken away or destroyed during the war.

GUISE, France, Dec. 24.—Among the industries of France which are raising their heads above the wreckage of war is the socialized factory in this communist colony given by the multi-millionaire Godin to his employees at his death several years ago.

The story of the assumption of ownership by the workers was told to the correspondent of the Associated Press. Twenty-one hundred persons were employed in the factory before the war, and active plans are on foot by their representatives to rebuild the structures embraced in the plant, which socialists contend has exemplified a solution of the problem between capital and labor.

When Godin died the establishment went into the hands of his employees. The passage of a state law, enacted later, has enabled a worker, after a period of probation, to buy stock in the concern, but not to sell it. However, he possesses virtually every other right of common stock owners.

REQUEST RECOUNT OF REFERENDUM VOTE

TORONTO, Dec. 24. — Premier Drury informed the deputation of members of the Citizens' Liberty League, who waited upon the Premier, Attorney-General Raney and Provincial Treasurer Smith, at the Parliament Buildings, that if the League would pick out two districts where it was thought a recount of the ballots cast in the Ontario Temperance Act referendum on October 29 last, should be held, the Premier would favorably consider the question of holding a recount in these districts. Also, the Premier said, if any serious errors were disclosed in such a recount the necessity for a general recount would receive his favorable consideration.

The Liberty Leaguers claimed that not only were large numbers of soldiers left off the voters' list, but the ballots were unfair, as four persons might vote against prohibition on one question or another, and only one man vote straight prohibition, yet the result would be four "noes" on each question against one "yes." Another reason urged for a recount of all the ballots cast throughout the Province was that "69 per cent of the returns as published by the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery did not tally."

QUEBEC LIQUOR LAW WILL NOT BE CHANGED

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—In connection with the various stories as to changes in the liquor laws in the Province of Quebec, following the removal of the war-time restrictions by the Federal Government, Hon. Walter Mitchell, Provincial Treasurer, said yesterday:

"So far as I am aware, no representations have been made to us regarding any of the suggested modifications, nor have they been discussed."

There is a move on foot with regard to stronger beer and wine, and doubtless representations will be made to the Government in this regard. Many people are anxious that French wines should be imported, and the sentimental argument plays a certain part in this wish. The importers in the Province of Quebec can import wine, but can not sell it.

No Clue to Seattle Bandit

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—No clues were reported today by Seattle police searching for a bandit who yesterday entered a crowded downtown stationery store, shot two clerks and held scores of Christmas shoppers at bay. The man escaped after failing in his attempts to open the cash register. Police believed possibly the bandit was the same one who held up an Olympia, Wash., drygoods store Monday and shot and killed E. H. Schultz, who attempted to catch him.

Sowing Fall Wheat

LETHBRIDGE, Dec. 24.—James Irwin, of Cowley, was seeding Fall wheat on his farm there this morning. He was stopped at noon by a heavy shower of rain. Summer weather prevails for Christmas throughout the whole of Southern Alberta.

GENERAL CURRIE ISSUES MESSAGE

Christmas Greeting Extended to Comrades—Speaks of Spirit That Should Prevail in Reconstruction Time.

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—General Sir Arthur Currie, formerly commander of the Canadian Army Corps in France, and now inspector-general, has issued a Christmas message to the men he led overseas through the medium of The Veteran, organ of the Great War Veterans' Association. The message is as follows:

"To My Comrades in Arms:

"I extend the compliments of the season and the best wishes for the coming year.

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MR. HANNA SENDS OUT CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

TORONTO, Dec. 24. — D. B. Hanna, president of the Canadian National Railways, is issuing today a Christmas message to all employees of the national lines. In part it says:

"I do not believe that personal incentive and ambition are eliminated from our officers and employees because they work for the Government. You may rest assured that the opportunities for promotion are yours and that good work will be recognized and rewarded.

"In a spirit of good will I extend the wish that a full measure of happiness be yours at this Christmas season and that well-being attend you throughout the year."

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When, as a last resort, a record was played, she became conscious long enough to inquire:

"What was that?"

Then she fell asleep again, but was roused several times after that. Her doctor now states that she will recover.

Payments on Victory Loan

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—Heavy Victory loan subscriptions are reflected in the November bank statement. During November withdrawals from Savings bank deposits totalled one hundred and twenty-five million dollars, the largest known. The greater part of the withdrawals went, of course, in subscriptions to the loan.

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The mandates considered had been prepared by the mandate commission in London. They were in three series, denominated type A, type B, and type C. The two mandates adopted come under type B, providing for administration under the regime of the League of Nations. The type A mandates apply to the Orient, and the type C, to the Pacific colonies.

Type C. developed the objections upon the part of Baron Matsui. He found that they gave Japan less advantage than she had enjoyed in those colonies under the German rule, it was said. Three of the four voting delegates in the council approved the drafts, but Baron Matsui reserved the approbation of Japan, and asked for time to refer the question to his government.

The details to which the Japanese representative objected were not disclosed, but it is assumed here that the question of the migration of Japanese to the colonies which would come under the mandate of Australia, was involved, as well as the economic advantages the Japanese formerly enjoyed under the most favored nation clause.

DRURY GOVERNMENT OFFENDS FARMERS

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 24.—The Farmers' Club objects strongly to the Drury government's appointment of Miss Walker as registrar of East and North Middlesex to succeed the late Joseph Marshall, ex-M.P.

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INFERNAL MACHINE SENT TO SEATTLE MAN

SEATTLE, Dec. 24. — Portland police today were asked by Seattle officers to help find the party or parties who mailed an infernal machine, in Christmas wrappings, to Fred Fink, Seattle musician. The package bore a Portland postmark and the return address of a Portland music house.

The machine did not explode when Mrs. Fink opened it. Six sticks of dynamite, a loaded revolver and a device intended to start an explosion were in the package. Fink told the police he thinks the package was sent by a man who has endeavored to harm him in the past on account of a personal grievance.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas Day stands pre-eminently apart from all other days of the year. It shares its features with no other holiday; the hundred customs, hoary with antiquity, that cluster around the day are not repeated again throughout the year until the festival comes round once more. It comes at the very darkest part of the year; more frequently than not it is a dull day, speaking with reference to the weather, yet the very word "Christmas" casts its heart-warming glow far back over the dreary weeks beforehand, while the music of its carols have not died away before the New Year comes in, bringing the far, faint message of Spring.

The real joy of Christmas, like all other pure joys, can only be tasted by the childlike in heart. "Except ye become as little children"—the old condition stands here. The sophisticated, the restless, the aspiring, the worldly-wise, have no part in this matter. Here is no place for bartering—or, at least, not much. The High School girl may implore that no one present her with a handkerchief box, as she has five already; the baby boy may announce that he wants a doll, anxiously adding "a truly doll," having in mind the rag confections with which, being a boy, he is supposed to be content. But when the great morning comes, the unfailing handkerchief box mysteriously brings its own appreciation with it, just as does the latest addition to an already extra-size family, while the small man forgets the doll entirely in the delirious joy of possessing upwards of half a dozen trumpets, whistles and other instruments of music.

The prime necessity of having the childlike heart in order to get the real flavor of Christmas is curiously apparent in comparing the two stories that occur to everyone on thinking of those that have Christmas for the theme, "Christmas at Bracebridge Hall," by Washington Irving, and Dickens' "Christmas Carol." In the first the writer has heaped together every quaint fancy and every graceful usage that could be assembled in praise of Christmas, and the whole is described with the charm and felicity of which he was master. Yet he preserves a discreet detachment. He is a little nervous lest you should think him vulgarly enthusiastic; he is sufficiently conscious of himself to feel glad to find that his old friend the mince pie was of good social standing. Dickens knows no such reserve. He cares no more than Scrooge did for Christmas, whether sausages and turkeys and Norfolk biffins are fashionable or not. In comparison with the stately feast at Bracebridge Hall, the Cratchits' Christmas dinner is paltry indeed; just an undersized goose, a small plum pudding and a humble dessert to finish off with. But how Dickens enjoys it! "At last the dishes were set on and grace was said. It was succeeded by a breathless pause, as Mrs. Cratchit, looking slowly all along the carving knife, prepared to plunge it into the breast. But when she did, and when the long-expected gush of stuffing issued forth, one murmur of delight arose all round the board, and even Tiny Tim, excited by the two young Cratchits, beat on the table with his knife and feebly cried 'Hurrah!' When it came to the pudding's turn, Mrs. Cratchit left the room alone—too nervous to bear witnesses—to take it up and bring it in. 'Hollo! A great deal of steam. The pudding was out of the copper. A smell like washing-day! That was the cloth. A smell like an eating-house and a pastry-cook's next door to each other, with a laundress next door to that. That was the pudding." After the pudding the cloth was cleared, the hearth swept and the fire made up. "The compound in the jug being tasted and considered perfect, apples and oranges were put upon the table and all the Cratchit family drew round the hearth. Then Bob proposed 'A Merry Christmas to us all, my dears. God bless us!' And Tiny Tim said, 'God bless us, every one!'"

Thus the spirit of Christmas is the spirit of a little child. It is the spirit of love, of free-heartedness in both giving and receiving, of happiness in simple things. Without this the most elaborate feast is in vain. But while this is natural to childhood, it can be preserved throughout life, and the secret of the childlike heart is the spirit of thankfulness. So we come to the real meaning of Christmas. The holly-decked rooms, the giving of gifts, the feasting together with those we hold dear, are all but visible signs of a spiritual reality, a deep thankfulness for that great gift of Him "Who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven." The charm of long association may cluster around the symbols themselves, but if the fact that it is the birth of the Saviour that is being celebrated is forgotten by mankind, the beauty of these associations must in the end inevitably be lost, and the day, if kept at all, will be only a signal for carousal. Therefore, as the day is dear to us by every sacred and loving memory that entwines itself around it, let us remember the great and forgiving love that gave it to us, and so it will be to us once again, "A Merry Christmas."

A PIONEER

Mrs. Mary Grahame, who has passed away at the age of 83, must have been among the oldest of the pioneers born in the Province of British Columbia. In the years long gone by she was an incessant traveler throughout the Province and over Western Canada, at a time when the country was witnessing the beginning of development. In most of his trips of inspection she accompanied her husband, and her memory was a treasure house of many interesting happenings in the early days. In a quiet way, but none the less effectively, she was an influence for good wherever she resided, and that influence has been especially marked in this community, where so much of her life was spent. Among old-timers she was widely known and highly respected. She has gone to her rest in the fullness of years, after a life of usefulness. From all over the Province and from many points throughout Canada sympathy will be extended to her relatives in the loss they have sustained.

THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

(By the Late Bishop Cridge)

Like a tide sweeping all before it, the birth of Christ has filled the channels of mortal life with an all pervading flood. The chord on this day struck by an angel's voice touches every soul with the sense of a load removed, a doom averted, a hope assured.

"Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior which is Christ the Lord."

Surely the universality of the Christmas celebration testifies to an inextinguishable feeling in every breast that there is somewhere a remedy for the ills which oppress the race, so that all, even the most careless, are carried away with the stream of rejoicing for the benefit this day proclaimed to the children of men. Joy sparkles in the eyes of the young, sympathy brightens the countenances of the old, friendly greetings and domestic joys enrich the season with love and good will. Wrongs are forgotten and forgiven and in a special sense is felt the truth "It is more blessed to give than to receive," and to those who give with no profit of investment or hope of return, this blessedness will be abundantly repaid, even by Him who ascended to the Father to bestow gifts upon men.

The birth of, an heir to a throne is hailed by every nation as a presage of prosperity and peace. That Christ was not born in the purple, but in the meanest of human conditions, shows forth as nothing else can the love and tenderness of God towards the children of men. For Jesus was born to be of men; to share their joys and sorrows, their labors and their pains. He came not as a mighty angel, but as a helpless child; an innocent babe; cast in the midst of a sinful world as a hostage and pledge of God's peaceful intentions towards a rebellious people.

When the greatest of earthly rulers sent forth a decree to make the world tributary to himself, he little knew that he was but the instrument in God's hands for bringing the Virgin Mother to Bethlehem, for the inauguration of a kingdom which should endure when the throne of the Caesars would be laid in the dust. Not to governors, representatives of his imperial majesty, was it given to make known abroad the birth of Christ the Lord, but to shepherds watching their flocks by night.

There is a grandeur and sweetness about the birth of Jesus which is wholly divine. In Him earthly distinctions are levelled, and one joy, one glory, one destiny are come to all. Born to die He is yet the prince of life. His fitness and right to reign was to be proved, not by regal state, but by suffering and death. Yes, even He learned obedience by the things which he suffered.

Let us then in the spirit of our minds, go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. As a star led the wise men of the east to the cradle of the newborn King, so does a star arise in our minds to show the way—the only way—which leads to God. Drawn to the Savior by the hidden cords of love, we say with conviction: This is our God; we have waited for Him. He will save us. The shepherds made known abroad the things which were told them concerning this child. The angels too, knowing what this salvation meant for the children of men, glorified God for His love and mercy. Shall we then keep silence? This day let the words of praise which we utter with our mouths find response in our hearts as those who know that unto themselves, not only to others, have come those good tidings of great joy.

Glory awaits us as it awaited the Babe of Bethlehem, though the Cross must intervene.

Winter is as necessary to the perfection of a tree as Spring and Summer. But for the blows of adversity we could not know all the goodness of the Lord. Patience O my soul! "When I sit in darkness the Lord will be a light unto me" for "Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given and the government shall be upon His shoulder."

Wholesale Whisky Theft

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Ten disguised whisky robbers used motor trucks to take away whisky valued at from $10,000 to $20,000 from the summer home of C. H. Ackert, broker, at Lake Forest, a Chicago suburb, it became known today. A butler who attempted to prevent the robbery was strung up by the thumbs and cut down exhausted hours later when a chauffeur and his wife broke out of a closet where they had been locked in.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No letters to the editor will be inserted except over the proper signature and address of the writer. This rule admits of no exception.

"Born This Day a Saviour"

Sir,—If a Syrian maid once rebuked her Master and a dumb ass a disobedient prophet, surely the obscure writer is justified in making this humble attempt to offset the unforunate destructive influence conveyed in an article appearing in Saturday's Colonist, from Montreal. Where an attempt is made to reconcile on rationalistic lines one of the basic fundamental truths of Christianity, which from the very nature of things supersedes all the limitations of finite reason, any such compromising method is not only inconsistently out of place, but is destructive in character, in so far as it will most certainly tend to strengthen doubt and unbelief in many and may possibly weaken the faith of others. Much emphasis is placed in the Incarnation in itself, but this is only hand in hand with the many humanitarian religions of our day, and thus strengthen their unscriptural ground, and to use their own words, "making the method of the Virgin birth of secondary importance." A strange phrase from those who should be established in the faith once delivered. Other inferential statements are made which involve too much for the writer to repeat. Mere human opinions from them or from the writer are of little or no value upon such subjects unless they conform to the only source and spirit of the Written and Living Word. And when these gentlemen say, "it is a serious and perilous thing to declare that God was confined to one method, one hesitates to believe that they thus imperil the veracity of the plain statement of Divine truth upon the subject to the arbitrary dictum of their own speculative minds. It is the imperishable and unchangeable truth upon the most momentous fact to humanity. It also contains a divine warning not, to change an iota by taking away or adding thereto, for that Word itself will be our judge. The words of Holy Writ are definite, viz., "the seed of a woman," "born of a virgin," etc., and to use their word (it was by this method) that "God sent His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin condemned sin in the flesh," and thus dying for us made possible by faith the way and the only way back to God. The very title, "Son of God" implies a Divine birth," for the Word was (made flesh) made miraculous what it was not before, in its eternal state, for "in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was "made flesh," "of the seed of a woman," "of a virgin," "a body hast thou prepared me"; could words be any plainer? In showing by what means the Scriptures plainly declare how God in His infinite wisdom and grace, spares not His Son, but delivered Him up for us all.

Being "The Son of God," He was not any other son, which involves a supernatural birth, for He said, He came forth from the Father and this through a birth, for He said, "To this end was I born (born) and came into the world. His deity is equally involved in the words, "He that hath seen Me, hath seen the Father," for that which is begotten of God, is God. He became flesh with the power of the highest, overshadowing the Virgin by direct creation, as God manifest in the flesh, whose going forth was from old from everlasting." Some unknown writer once said, "The rejection of the Virgin birth never goes by itself, but involves far-reaching consequences, or words to that effect. This is most apparent and although there is no rejection in this case, there is, however, the instilling of doubt upon that which God has revealed, and which is for, sign to any portion of the Scriptures. It ill becomes a creature who professes belief in the God of the Bible to tamper with plain, direct truth. There is no foolishness so great as the credulity of the critics, who are up against the fact that the Christ of God once came to this world in His willing consecration and goodness, both historically and by divine revelation. It is utter folly to try and reason upon that which lies beyond reason, and upon that which the Supreme Being will impart the unclouded assurance only on the condition of faith as divinely set down in the Written Word and through the Living Word, which are indissolubly One, and that faith which of necessity through the very nature of things, as the evidence or conviction of things not seen. The limitations of human reason is not everything in God's great universe. There is no coercion with the Divine Will, which has endowed us with the power of volition, to choose good or evil, truth or untruth, with all that it involves. We can accept that incarnate one as our Savior upon the most immutable foundation of truth, together with the ineffable love and glory of His person; or we can reject Him and lose His saving grace and power at our own peril of eternal consequences which are justly commensurate with the greatness and majesty of Him who left Heaven and became incarnate to accomplish the will of the Father, in giving His life a ransom for many. It is worth repeating, "I am a King, to this end was I born (born), and for this cause came into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth." His kingship waits fulfillment at His approaching Second Coming, when with all enemies put under His feet, and every tongue confessing Him Lord, He will reign as King of Kings.

The truth expressed in the beautiful lines of Bishop Heber, is appropriate:

"Cold on His cradle the dew-drops are shining,
Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore Him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch, and Saviour of all."

G. JENNINGS BURNETT,
666 Niagara Street, Victoria, B. C.

Re Church Formality

Sir,—I would thank you for a little space to enlarge on my letter in Sunday's issue of your paper, re "Church Formality," and to endeavor to make plain and remove false impressions from the minds of many as to my real motives for writing said letter.

My motive was pure; it was to quicken and not to kill. I did not suppose it would revolutionize the churches, but all good seed sown in sincerity will bear fruit to some degree.

In my last letter I was not personal in my remarks, but I have no apology to offer where people got hit. I did not condemn the churches. I only spoke of the churches as I found them. It is not for me to pass judgment on anyone: each one brings his own condemnation on himself, when guilty.

A certain pastor in one of the city churches said to his congregation on Sunday morning, "I read a letter in the morning paper on 'Church Formality.'" He further said, "If you have not read it, read it when you go home for there is a tremendous amount of truth in it," and in a beautiful spirit urged his flock to give the stranger a welcome. He then said the author of the said letter was a critic and that he had no use for a critic, and that if the author had a better way to live than they had it was his place to be in that church and to show them how to live.

I would say to this charge that every church in the city would have the same claim on me. I might say I am not sufficiently educated to see any connection in the above statements of the rev. gentleman, but to me it looks very like a parallel case of a cow giving a good mess of milk—then kicking it all over.

The dictionary gives several definitions of a "critic." One is "One who is severe in judgment, a faultfinder, a caviller."

One who had read my last letter would scarcely put me under that heading. To reveal, uncover or expose corruption in any condition would scarcely come under the heading of a "critic" as quoted by the dictionary.

In reviewing the conditions of the church in my last letter, I did no probing—I merely skimmed things over, but I do say the spiritual conditions of churches in the city are at a very low ebb. There are thousands in this city who live exemplary lay lives, who believe in God and the Bible, who never go to church or even send their children to Sunday school; they have no faith in the church.

Gypsy Smith spoke even plainer, and said "the reason was because there was no Christ in many of the churches."

When our Saviour was on earth He went to a fig tree, expecting to find fruit on it and found nothing but leaves. He cursed the tree and its leaves immediately withered.

Every human being is bearing some kind of fruit. God has created us all responsible creatures. He expects just as much from the non-churchgoer as from a Christian—yes, even from those who are down in the gutter of sin, and I say to the sceptic, the infidel, that your unbelief will never make the word of God of non effect nor pervert the judgments of God.

E. J. WATSON.
1505 Blanshard St., Victoria, B.C., Dec. 23, 1919.

Swimming Baths

Sir,—I am surprised at Mr. Frank Higgins, K.C., resorting to such an unsportsmanlike act as to accuse one of ignorance to my employers when I was not present to answer his charge, and I am also surprised that he, an eminent lawyer, should resent an adverse opinion so sorely, when from his training he ought to be ready to accept a difference of opinion without calling his opponent ignorant, being so accustomed to call him "my learned friend."

I cannot permit the charge of ignorance to pass unchallenged. In spite of Mr. Higgins' remarks, I confess that I do know something about swimming and swimming baths. In bygone days I won the swimming championship of my school, afterwards won swimming races at various public aquatic sports. I was secretary to my school swimming club, and later was for fourteen years secretary and manager to the Greystones Bathing Club in Ireland, which is one of the most popular aquatic clubs and is known all over that country. During my fourteen years in office I had many opportunities of conferring with big swimming men, of visiting and studying swimming baths and even advising in the matter.

As to the indictment of want of knowledge of purification of, water and bacteriology, these subjects are directly connected with my profession, and Mr. Higgins is no more capable of judging me in this matter than I am of expressing an opinion of his knowledge of certain points of law, for I presume that he knows the science of his profession as well as I know mine.

Mr. Higgins came to my office before I wrote my report on the swimming bath proposition; he spent about half an hour of my time in an endeavor to cajole me into favoring his scheme to draw water from the harbor to the baths. His eloquence, however, did not persuade me and now he is annoyed.

I have the health of the public of Victoria to consider and guard, and if I could be persuaded to act against my better judgment in health matters I would not be worthy of the position I hold. I consider that none but a fool health officer would advocate the use of impure sewage contaminated water for a public bath or water that has been such, but is so camouflaged with chemicals in the process of purification as to make it no longer sea water but something else.

Does Mr. Higgins think that baths supplied with such water will be so attractive to the public as to prove a financial success; and does he guarantee that the purification process will always be efficiently worked? Will he tell us if such sea water baths in Seattle are a success and if the water there is pleasant to bathe in?

In conclusion, I may state that as an old swimmer and sportsman I am strongly in favor of swimming baths for Victoria, and I have made no objection to the proposed site, but such baths must be supplied with pure water and the water changed frequently if they are to meet with my approval from a health officer's point of view.

I would recommend, as being more economical, more popular and more paying, that these baths, if erected in the proposed position, be supplied with fresh water from the city mains; but if it be a sine qua non that they must be supplied with sea water, then, that pure sea water be conveyed by pipe from the open sea fronting Beacon Hill.

ARTHUR G. PRICE.
City Hall, Victoria, B.C., December 20, 1919.

The 16th Battalion

Sir.—The message on Saturday from Ottawa sent by Mayor Porter and Mr. F. Gioima, M.P.P., should cause the citizens of Victoria to immediately stand to and take action to secure for the city the headquarters of the 16th Battalion, Canadian Scottish. Although the 7th, 29th and 72nd are already given to Vancouver, yet that ambitious city is determined if possible to secure also the 16th. Should this succeed on the cheeseboard game of distribution Victoria will be without even one infantry battalion. This would greatly militate against the prestige of the capital city, and in my estimation little short of a calamity. Let the City Council, the Board of Trade, the Canadian Club, the Rotary Association, get out of their swaddling bands, rise to their full stature, call a public meeting if necessary, memoralise the military headquarters at Ottawa, and secure for Victoria the headquarters of this famous regiment. Let Jew and Gentile know that what we ought to have we shall have, and "what we have we'll hold."

Victoria has a claim to the 16th Battalion, "Canadian Scottish," which no other city in Canada has. It was originally composed of one company of the 50th Gordon Highlanders of Victoria, one company of the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders of Vancouver, one company of the Cameron Highlanders of Winnipeg, and one company of the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders of Hamilton.

Until the Spring of 1917 when the Canadian corps was reorganizing on territorial basis the majority of the 16th was from British Columbia, and that principally from the 50th Gordon Highlanders of Victoria, and the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders of Vancouver.

After the second battle of Ypres in 1915, two companies of the 30th Battalion were transferred to the 16th Battalion, one of which was a company supplied the 30th by the 50th Gordon Highlanders before the 30th left this city for overseas.

The record of the 16th Canadian Scottish is such that we do not wonder the ambitious city on the other side of the Gulf is anxious to have its headquarters there. Field-Marshal Foch, the commander-in-chief of the allied forces, was asked what did he consider the greatest outstanding feat of the war, without hesitation replied, "The charge of the 16th Battalion and 16th Canadian Scottish at the Battle of Ypres."

It seems invidious to single out any for heroism where all the Canadians so distinguished themselves, yet the above are the words of the commander-in-chief.

I kept in touch with the achievements of the 16th, as closely as one could at this distance, because among other reasons, two of my sons were in the battalion, and I was often amazed at the courage and bravery of our boys.

As Victoria has given the Dominion General Sir Arthur Currie, commander-in-chief of the Canadian army, it certainly is becoming that the battalion, whose bravery in France and Flanders has eclipsed the halo of Marathon and the glory of Thermopylae should have its headquarters in this city.

JOHN CAMPBELL.
"Broadalbane," Victoria, B. C., December 22, 1919.

The "Dawn of Reason"

Sir.—Light is beginning to creep into the City Hall. Alderman Sangster has a notice of motion that the number of civic statesmen be reduced to five. Vancouver gets along nicely with eight. If Mr. Sangster is sincere, he will have all the support he needs. The public is so far with him that a great many think that five aldermen would be a crowd.

While the so-called Progressive ticket or movement shows an awakening of public interest in civic matters, there are certain features in it which do not impress one very favorably. This flirting with different classes of votes gives the affair a taste of the political ringster's unhealthy methods. It is too much mixed up with labor leaders who never labored—they toil not, neither do they spin. However, Mr. Sangster's move is the thin end of the wedge. We will get it under the James Bay machine later on, and in the meantime five barnacles pried loose from the City Hall will make the old boat run a little faster.

O. C. BASS.

602 Trutch St., Victoria, B.C., December 20, 1919.

THE CRIPPLE'S CHRISTMAS

A little cripple in a city slum,
With wooden leg and tiny, tortured frame,
Wondered much why old Santa never came
On Christmas Eve to his poor, squalid home.

"Why, silly!" said his chum, with friendly grin.
"With 'arf an eye, that's plain enough to see!
You ain't but one old stockin'; 'oles both ends!
If Santa Claus 'ad annythink for you
They'd all drop froo!
'E only goes to rich folks wot 'as two,
And only one big 'ole at top—wot ought to be!"

This was the conversation overheard
By an observant little bird.
Reported thus, with not a moment's pause,
By this said bird, to Santa Claus.

When Christmas morning crept athwart the land,
A-sudden, Jimmy woke with startled jump.
Was that a sound of bells upon the air?
Reindeer—and sleighs—and Santa Claus and toys;
Were mingled with a whirl of girls and boys.
All in a golden mist. And there—
It seemed—were hanging on a chair,
Two stockings, black and plump.
Jim's little heart went thumpity-thump,
As he felt each bulky lump.
Then on his knees, one clasped in each small hand,
"Dear God," he whispered in a childish prayer,
"'Twas you told Santa all about
My stockin', how it's all wore out.
I know you sent 'em. They're a pair,
So Tom and me can each have one to wear.
And Santa's brought me all them things,
All wropt in paper, and tied up with strings.
I hope you'll have a happy Christmas, too,
Like me and Tom. Dear God, and Santa Claus,
We do thank both of you!"

And little Jim, his thanks in prayer expressed,
With both arms filled, crept back again to rest,
As happy as a King, and thrice as blest.

—Edith M. Bell, 1346 Harrison Street, Victoria, B. C.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The British Colonist of December 25, 1869)

Masonic Election at Olympia, W.T.—At an election of officers for the ensuing year, held in Masonic Hall on Monday evening last, the following persons were elected: Rufus Willard, W.M.; Robert Frost, R.W.; J. J. Gilbert, J.W.; C. E. Williams, Treasurer; J. M. Munson, Secretary; A. H. Steele, S.D.; B. Harned, J.D.; A. Fairchild, Tyler.

Masonic Care of Their Dead—When it was ascertained that John Barker, the man murdered on Skagit River, Washington Territory, was a Mason, the Lodge at Port Madison dispatched the steamer Ruby for the remains and had them interred at the place with Masonic ceremonies.

Midnight Mass was performed at the Catholic Church by Rev. M. Earley and assistants. A large number of visitors from other denominations were present.

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A CHRISTMAS SONG AND ITS MESSAGE

(By J. E. Middleton).

There is a charm and beauty about the Christmas story that has captivated the imagination of the world. French Canada, the inheritor of the folk-song of Brittany, has a body of Christmas carols remarkable in every way. "Ca Bergers Reveillons-nous!" is sung in every Quebec hamlet on Christmas eve. There is a whole book of these graceful melodies, collected by Mr. Ernest Myrand, of Quebec city, which ought to be more familiar in the rest of Canada. Here is a literal translation of one of the quaint "Noels" of France:

"Neighbor, whence came this great disturbance which awakened me and all my folks last night? Truly, I was very angry to hear on every side, 'Come, Shepherds, Awake, Awake.'"

"What, then, neighbor, have you not heard that God has just been born down here; that he is cradled in a stable? He has neither linen nor bed furnishings, yet in this wretched state nothing more beautiful can be seen."

"I must go and pay my respects, that I may remove Him from this place, with Mary and Joseph. When all three come to my house it will be more beautiful than the palace of the Greatest King."

Simple, naive, exquisite in feeling, these lively Christmas songs have in them the stuff of immortality. They are the expressions of unsophisticated poets whose very names are forgotten, but whose faith and love persist through generations of men.

All these years churchmen have declared that the way to find happiness and true content is to have the spiritual Christ in every home. Perhaps their appeal has been too sophisticated; addressed too often to the reason instead of to the heart. No man can be argued into right living. The hearer merely says: "That is good logic. The preacher is clever and makes out a case." But if the personality behind the speech or the sermon can be intensified by the mystic atmosphere of prayer, then an electrical contact of sympathy is made upon the hearer and the argument is effective. For that reason the "Forward Movements" of five Canadian churches, co-ordinated in the United National Campaign, are likely to stir the intellectual and religious life of the Dominion. They are based on a well-defined programme of intercession fitted for the use of every church member, young or old, and designed to establish an "atmosphere."

There has been an "atmosphere" of Christmas for many centuries. The result of it has been to stimulate giving to the poor and unfortunate, and to banish—for a day, at least—the ugly spirit of selfishness. Can we give Christianity a longer trial; extend the feeling of "peace and good will" from one day to thirty—to ninety—to three hundred and sixty-five? If so, we shall see great things in Canada. It is possible to make our homes "more beautiful than the palace of the Greatest King."

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SPEAKER SOON BACK

Hon. John Keen's Condition Greatly Improved—Leaves for Home Next Month

That Hon. John Keen has greatly improved in health, and expects to leave for his home at Kaslo early next month, was the gist of a message which Premier Oliver received yesterday from the superintendent of the hospital in Toronto, at which Mr. Keen, the veteran Speaker of the British Columbia Legislature, has been confined for some months past following an operation.

Recent word from Mr. Keen himself told of his determination to be back in time to resume his sessional duties though his medical advisers have advised him he must not think of taking any active part for at least six weeks from his discharge from the hospital.

Hon. Mr. Keen, despite his age, is remarkably active and energetic, and while Premier Oliver hardly considers he will be fit to officiate at the coming session, which opens on January 28, it is altogether likely he will be here. In the event of Hon. Mr. Keen not assuming his duties at the beginning of the session, the Deputy Speaker, Mr. Alex. Manson, M.P.P., of Omineca, will fill his place.

Gift to St. Dunstan's

LONDON, Dec. 24.—General Manley Sims has sent 2,000 pounds of tinned peaches as Ontario's Christmas gift to the St. Dunstan's Home for Blind Soldiers.

REAL OLD CHRISTMAS SPIRIT PREVAILED

Merchants Report Bumper Business, With Less Crowding—Public Shopped Early and Purchased Useful Gifts.

There have been a few novel features in connection with Christmas shopping this year. One of them is that the public in general apparently did not need the extra three hours given them in the evenings to do their purchasing, with the exception, perhaps, of last evening. Residents of Victoria have become so well educated in the worthy art of doing their shopping before six o'clock that the habit now has become second nature with them. In addition to this, they have had an extra day to shop this year, of which they have availed themselves. Mr. Ballard, manager of Gordons, Limited, expressed the opinion to The Colonist representative yesterday that the time was not very far distant when all shopping will be done between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Another point to be observed this year is the fact that people bought useful presents. They are giving gifts that will last, with the result that there has been a big call for all kinds of staple lines. Of course, there has been the usual run on toys, but the giving between adults has consisted of articles that can be used more than mere souvenirs.

In the matter of window dressing, merchants have outdone themselves, and the store windows have been one interesting view after another. They have kept many people strolling about the streets not only during the day but after the stores have been closed, for some of the happiest ideas in window advertising have been staged after dark. The use of electric devices has been resorted to very largely, and in their effort to attract interest to their windows, merchants have unconsciously turned the city into a huge picture show. Movement and novelty have been the keynotes to all their efforts in this direction. The more subtle artifices, however, have not by any means been overlooked. The movement and novelty have caught the eyes of the passers by, but in most cases those pedestrians have been lured into the stores by the elegantly arranged displays of goods and gone out again with lighter purses.

The interiors of most of the stores were as well decorated as any of the windows, and the attempt was to keep the people there when once they entered. Most shoppers, as a result, thoroughly enjoyed the task that is frequently at this season of the year so boresome. The fatigue was forgotten in the bright and cheery atmosphere that prevailed.

Spencer's, Limited, report a bumper year. Business in this store has been growing steadily ever since the building was enlarged, and, unlike many other merchants, the recent cold spell did not greatly affect them owing to their interests embracing so many different lines. There were so many things that people had to buy, even in cold weather, that kept the store busy. They report the actual Christmas shopping to be in excess of previous years, and state that there has not been the crushing this time. The buying public have not all left their purchasing until the very last minute. Toyland, with the quaint little house for Santa Claus, has been a rendezvous for old and young, and the many beautiful toys, so temptingly exhibited, have made it a place of great interest. The book department has received a great deal of attention, and many gifts this Christmas time have been purchased from this growing department.

Gordons Limited had a very tastefully decorated interior. The snow-covered shelter over the stairway to Toyland was the centre of a mass of bright decorations across the main floor. This firm resorted to the original method of using the display of some of their fancy goods for decorative purposes, thus combining two purposes in one effort. Mr. Ballard reports that the business this Xmas breaks all records. "There is no sickness among the staff this year," he stated, as he recalled the influenza scourge that marred the festive season of 1918. "We are all perfectly happy this time."

"This is the best season we have had since before the war," said Mr. Davies, manager of Gordon Drysdale Limited. "There is more business, less rush and crush, and the clerks have been able to handle the customers with better satisfaction. People are certainly getting down to shopping within proper hours. It is better for them and better for us. I think two late evenings would have been sufficient to have handled the business. It is interesting to note that people are buying substantial goods for gifts."

Mr. Currie, of Weiler Bros., Limited, stated that he found Tuesday was the busiest day. In the past the store has been crowded on Christmas Eve up until eleven o'clock. The business is very much ahead of the past four Christmases.

Fletcher Brothers stated that they had done more business this month than in any previous December. People are buying big articles. We are selling good pianos and the very best make of gramophones.

Mitchell & Duncan also report a record trade. Mr. Duncan stated to the reporter that the old spirit of Christmas had come back. "It has been very gratifying to us," he said. "People have not been buying very expensive articles from us, but they seem to want to give something. The cloud of the past four years seems to have lifted and the well-wishing spirit is with us again."

"Jack" Scott stated that he has done as big a business as ever. It has consisted chiefly in small goods such as hats, caps, underwear. Very little big stock has been sold, but people seemed disposed to buy the very best of everything.

Mr. Pease of Hamsterly Farm is delighted with his Christmas business. "We have been busy every hour we kept open," he said. "I can hardly compare it with previous years, because the business has been growing so rapidly that, naturally, it would be bigger this Christmas than last. It certainly has exceeded all expectations."

"Heintzman pianos have been in great demand for Christmas presents," said Mr. Hicks, of Heintzman & Co., Limited. "Many people placed their Christmas orders early in December and even back in November. We have also sold a number of good gramophones. Among the smaller purchases records are popular and many are being given for presents."

SPECIAL SERVICES IN CITY CHURCHES

Carols and Anthem Services Will Prevail — Holy Communion and Special Services of Worship Take Place.

Special Christmas services and carols will take place in most of the city churches today, while choirs throughout the city have prepared sacred music appropriate to the festive season. Christmas Eve services took place in many of the churches last night, and the attendance was unusually large.

Christ Church Cathedral last night held a Christmas Eve service, with carols and an exceptionally fine musical programme. A Christmas tree, splendidly illuminated, was the object of much rejoicing on the part of many when the gifts were disposed of during the course of a gathering held at the Cathedral at seven-thirty last night.

Today five celebrations of Holy Communion will take place, ranging from 6, 7, 8 and 9:15 in the morning, while a choral celebration follows the morning service at eleven o'clock, at the Cathedral.

Children's Carol Service

A special carol service was held last night for the children of Christ Church Cathedral Sunday School, presents being brought for the children of the parish by the members of the school. An organ recital preceded the evening service at half-past seven. The musical items of today's service at the Cathedral will include the Te Deum in E flat by Woodward, and Berthold Tour's setting in C for the service of Holy Communion. The Right Rev. C. D. Schofield will officiate at the eleven o'clock service, and the offerings of all services will be devoted to the clergy's widows and orphans fund.

St. Paul's Garrison Church

St. Paul's Naval and Garrison Church at Esquimalt will hold services in keeping with the Christmas season, including a parade service at 10:30 a. m., and a choral celebration at 11:30 o'clock, in which latter Woodward's setting of the Holy Communion will be sung.

At the Metropolitan

A public service will be held at the Metropolitan Church at 11 o'clock today, the pastor and congregation extending cordial welcome to all who attend, to join them in worship.

Organ Recital Sunday

On Sunday evening, December 28, there will be an organ recital at 6:40 o'clock at St. Paul's, Esquimalt, followed by a musical service consisting of Christmas carols and anthems. The carol service will commence at seven o'clock sharp.

In general the majority of churches in the city are making special preparations for, festival services and musical celebration of the Christmas season to take place today.

GOVERNMENT HAS PLAN TO RETURN RAILROADS TO OWNERS IN MARCH

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and appurtenances commonly used upon or operated as part of such railroads and systems of transportation; and

"Whereas, I now deem it needful and desirable that all railroads, systems of transportation and property now under such federal control be relinquished therefrom; now, therefore, under authority of section 14 of the Federal Control Act, approved March 21, 1918, and of all other powers and provisions of law thereto enabling me, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, do hereby relinquish from Federal control, effective the first day of March, 1920, at 12:01 o'clock a.m., all railroads, systems of transportation and property of whatever kind taken or held under such Federal control, and not heretofore relinquished, and restore the same to the possession and control of their respective owners.

"Walter D. Hines, director-general of railroads, or his successor in office, is hereby authorized and directed, through such agents and agencies as he may determine, in a manner not inconsistent with the provisions of said act of March 21, 1918, to adjust, settle and close all matters, including the making of agreements for compensation and all questions and disputes of whatever nature arising out of or incident to Federal control, until otherwise provided by the proclamation of the President or by act of Congress, and generally to perform, as fully in all respects as the President is authorized to do, all and singular the acts and things necessary or proper in order to carry into effect this proclamation and the relinquishment of said railroads, systems of transportation and property.

"For the purposes of accounting, and for all other purposes this proclamation shall become effective on the first day of March, 1920, at 12:01 a.m."

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COMRADES' DINNER FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

Abundance of Good Fare Provided for the Family-less Members Who Gather Tonight Round Festive Board.

Christmas dinner has been provided for on a generous scale at the Comrades of the Great War Club, no less than fourteen turkeys being in the larder awaiting the oven. There are about thirty residents in the club at the present time, but a great many of the unmarried members have expressed their intention of sitting round the festive board at 6 o'clock tonight.

Elaborate Yuletide decorations, holly and evergreen and Christmas bells, have given a festive air to the hallways and recreation and dining-room, and tonight the table will carry the usual touches in the way of crackers and bright-colored ornaments to make the appropriate setting. On Monday afternoon there will be a Christmas tree for the children of the members, and most of the grown-ups are looking forward to this part of the holiday programme with great interest.

Members of the Army and Navy Veterans celebrated Christmas Eve at the clubrooms, Pemberton Building, with an impromptu concert and informal social time, Mr. E. J. Down being responsible for getting the talent together for the occasion.

CHARGED WITH ASSAULT

Case Against Lynch and Compson Being Tried in the Police Court—Remanded for More Evidence

A remand in the case against Matthew Lynch and Thomas Compson, charged with assaulting with intent to rob George Burney, was granted by Magistrate Jay in the Police Court yesterday morning in order to permit the prosecution producing further witnesses.

Burney, the alleged victim, swore that the two accused set upon him at his cabin, at 742 Johnson Street, at an early hour yesterday morning and went through his pockets. He had met them, he swore, the evening before at the Delhi bar, and bought them each a drink. Some time later he returned to his cabin, where Lynch and Compson put in an appearance. They talked for a while, when Lynch, Burney swore, seized him by the wrists and held him down on the bed while Compson went through his pockets. Burney ran into the street and appealed to Police Sergeant Boulton, who, with Constable Florence, went to the cabin and ordered the two accused away. Later Lynch and Compson returned and Burney again sought the aid of the police, Constables Florence and Bishop placing the pair under arrest.

Lynch and Compson both took the witness stand in their own behalf. They denied being with Burney at the Delhi bar. Compson said he met Lynch at the Manitoba bar and the latter wanted to know where he could get a drink of whiskey. Compson took him to Burney's cabin, where they drank one bottle of whiskey, and as Lynch wanted more Burney left, ostensibly to get another, but he returned with the police officers.

Kitchener Quiet

KITCHENER, Ont., Dec. 24.—Contrary to expectations, little interest was manifested in the nominations here last night. There was a number of police on hand to prevent disturbances, but their services were not required. Ten nominations for Mayor were put in, but indications are that the race will be between Alderman George Settle and W. T. Sasse. Ex-Mayor Eden may make a three-cornered fight.

D'ANNUNZIO SENDS MESSAGE TO AMERICA

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A message from Gabriele D'Annunzio to the American people was brought today by Mrs. John Adam Drake, president of the American Free Milk and Relief Fund for Italy, who arrived on the steamship Giuseppi Verdi. The poet-warrior wrote it in English for Mrs. Drake.

"You were an enormous mass made dull by power and riches," he said. "Behold! You are transformed into ardent and active spirituality; you become a race of storm and passion, ready for the fight; erect in the face of a future greater than your whole past.

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VANCOUVER PIONEER PASSES SUDDENLY

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—Another pioneer business man of Vancouver passed away suddenly on Tuesday evening, John Oben, 2546 McGill Street, dying after only a few hours' illness with acute gastritis.

Mr. Oben was well known in Vancouver, having come here in 1888, and later starting in business as a baker on Hastings Street West.

Mr. Oben was born on the Island of Jersey 57 years ago. Most of his youth was spent in Toronto, where he was married to Margaret M. McGregor, who survives him. He also leaves seven sons and one daughter.

Liquor Question in Ontario

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—Again yesterday afternoon the Ontario Cabinet discussed the question of the importation of liquor into this province without having decided on any definite policy. It is understood that the Premier's intimation yesterday will stand—that is, that the quantity of liquor a person is allowed to have will be limited under the Ontario Temperance Act.

Heartiest Xmas Greetings

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL

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Body in English Bay

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—The body of a man believed to be Willard V. Kennedy, of Minto, N.B., was found in English Bay here today. Among the effects found on the body was cash amounting to $131, a gold watch and a membership card in the Norwood Chapter, Edmonton. The body had apparently been in the water for several weeks.

Spend Many Hours Adrift

WINDSOR, Ont., Dec. 24.—Out in Lake Erie in a 16-foot boat since Sunday afternoon, when they left Point Pelee for the mainland at Leamington, a party of five persons arrived at Leamington late yesterday afternoon, after being out for more than 50 hours, and many times in danger of being capsized by heavy seas and of collision with ice floes.

JELL-O for Dessert to-morrow

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City and District in Brief

Committed for Trial—In the police court yesterday morning, T. J. McInnes, charged with obtaining money under false pretences, was committed for trial by Magistrate Jay.

Druggists' Holiday — The drug stores will close at 1 o'clock today and will open the following morning.

Bank Clearings Increase — Bank clearings for the week ending yesterday were $2,669,352 as compared with $1,779,326 in the corresponding week of 1918.

Library to Open—The City Library will be open today for reading and reference purposes from 2 p. m. to 9 p.m., but no books will be circulated.

Death of Mrs. Conyers—The many friends of the family will regret to learn that Mrs. L. U. Conyers, the wife of the well-known real estate and financial agent, passed away at the Jubilee Hospital last night.

Make Presentation—Mr. J. L. Boyden, Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment instructor at the electrical school, Fisgard Street, was yesterday presented with a gift on behalf of the students in appreciation of his services.

Official Promoted—To fill the position of inspector of trust companies, recently rendered vacant by Mr. W. U. Runnalls, who is now manager of the B.C. Trust Corporation, at Vancouver, Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, has promoted Mr. A. C. Campbell, hitherto cashier in the Treasury.

Greetings to Comrades—The following message was received from Montreal last night: "Brig.-Gen. D. C. Draper wishes to extend the season's greetings to all comrades-in-arms who were associated with him in the field in France and particularly to wish all members of the 8th C.I.B. a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year."

Civic Employees Elect Officers—Mr. Isaac Byers was re-elected to serve a third term as president of the Civic Employees Protective Association Tuesday night. The other officers elected were: Vice-president, Mr. F. Ramsdale; secretary, Mr. William Wright; treasurer, Mr. J. McIndoo. The executive will be chosen at a subsequent meeting.

An Elk Honored—Mr. William Galt, secretary of the Victoria Lodge of Elks, formerly city purchasing agent, was presented last evening with a valuable Elks ring by the officers and members of the lodge in recognition of his services during his term of office. Since his appointment as secretary last July the Elks have been wonderfully successful, the membership having been increased considerably.

Candies for the Reporters—The editorial staff of The Colonist yesterday evening received a delightful box of chocolates from the Garrett Smith Candy Company, specialists in high class confections. There was a unanimous decision that the sample of Victoria-made candies was excellent, and worthy a premier place in the market.

Christmas Party—The Woman's Auxiliary to the G. W. V. A. are holding a Christmas party in the rooms, 712 Fort Street, on Tuesday, December 30th. It will only be for members of the Auxiliary and their husbands and families. All those members who owe three months' dues and who have not received invitation cards to the party please phone 6432X, Mrs. Ball, and she will mail them a card at once.

Belgians Are Grateful—Mrs. Cassidy, 464 Garbally Road, asks The Colonist to publish her expression of thanks to all those who have helped her in her efforts to aid destitute Belgians in her native town. She wishes them all a merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Mrs. Cassidy also states that the people of her native town have sent through her their thanks to Mr. Terry, the Belgian consul, for his kind and painstaking work in their behalf.

At the Rex—The little playhouse on Head Street in the western suburbs has as its film feature today Madame Petrova in "The Light Within."

Lands Branch Function—Members of the Lands Department spent a pleasant time yesterday afternoon when the ladies of the branch entertained the male members at afternoon tea. It was an informal event at which the Christmas spirit prevailed. Mr. G. Naden, Deputy Minister, on behalf of the guests, tendered the ladies thanks and emphasized the spirit of good will which pervades the department.

Longshoreman Injured — Charles Nelson, one of the old-time members of the Longshoremen's Union, was seriously injured yesterday while at work at the Outer Wharf when a heavy box of freight, being slung from the hold of the Kashima Maru to the deck, slipped out of the sling and fell, striking and injuring him about the legs and body. He was promptly assisted by fellow workmen and conveyed to St. Joseph's Hospital, where Dr. McMicking attended him. It is feared he suffered internal injuries.

Clergymen Protest—Claiming that existing disabilities against members of the clergy in the matter of holding public office should be removed, a delegation composed of Revs. R. Wilkinson, W. Stevenson and P. C. Parker waited upon Premier Oliver on Tuesday afternoon at the Legislative Buildings. They held that under the existing law members of the clergy were placed in a category similar to that occupied by Orientals, Indians and criminals. The Premier expressed his belief that a change should be made and promised that opportunity would be forthcoming for the delegation to present its representation to the Cabinet.

Where are you going Xmas? Why not have a party at "The Piccadilly"?

Council Approves Baths Lease—At the meeting of the Oak Bay Council held on Tuesday evening, the lease which the Provincial Government is prepared to grant the Oak Bay Swimming Baths, Limited, for the use of a portion of the waterfront on Oak Bay, was brought up for inspection. After a short discussion the Council approved the document, which is a necessary preliminary to the undertaking of active work by the company.

Lad's Sad Story—Lured to this city by the promise of a job on one of the French steamships built here, Andrew Chisholm, aged 19 years, appeared in the police court yesterday, charged with being a vagrant. He was picked up by Detectives Phipps and Siciliano early Wednesday morning, friendless, hungry, and with no place to sleep. He told the magistrate he left his home in Ontario in August last and came to Trail, where he secured work at the smelter there. He was told by a man that he could get a position on the steamship at $90 per month and would be paid $5 per day on his return trip from France. The boy had saved some money, $25 of which he loaned to the man who promised to get him the job on board the ship. Pending some arrangement whereby the lad may secure work he will be kept in jail over Christmas, thus receiving free lodgings and meals.

FOUND ILL IN STREET UNKNOWN IS DEAD

Sad Case of Man, Apparently Penniless and Seriously Ill, to Whom Aid Came Too Late.

One hour after being picked up in the doorway leading to rooms above the Manitoba Hotel bar a man, whose name is believed to be George Pellow, died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital at 11:50 o'clock last night. Beyond the above name on the label of a bottle containing medicine found in his pocket and a letter addressed to the same name, there was absolutely nothing about him that would lead to his identity or give any information concerning his connections or place of residence here. The police are anxious to secure some information concerning him.

The man when found in the doorway was in a very bad physical state and appeared very ill, so ill that he could not speak. He was thin and weak, penniless and apparently had been without proper nourishment. The police were notified and the unknown was taken to police headquarters where Dr. Eberts examined him and ordered his instant removal to the hospital. Shortly after his arrival there he died.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Frazell, of Owen Sound, are visiting in the city in the course of an extended tour of Western Canada and California. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Kennedy, 96 Gorge Road, for Christmas.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 8 p.m., December 24, 1919.

SYNOPSIS

The barometer remains abnormally low over Northern British Columbia and rainy, mild weather has been general on the Pacific Slope. Mild weather also extends to Saskatchewan.

TEMPERATURE

	Min.	Max.
Victoria, B.C.	45	52
Vancouver	44	50
Kamloops	38	42
Barkerville	28	36
Prince Rupert	42	44
Atlin	6	34
Calgary, Alta.	32	48
Winnipeg, Man.	6	24
Portland, Ore.	46	58
San Francisco, Cal.	44	54
Port Arthur	— 6	10
Penticton	38	49
Nelson	35	45
Grand Forks	35	49
Cranbrook	35	43

WEDNESDAY

Highest	53
Lowest	45
Average	49

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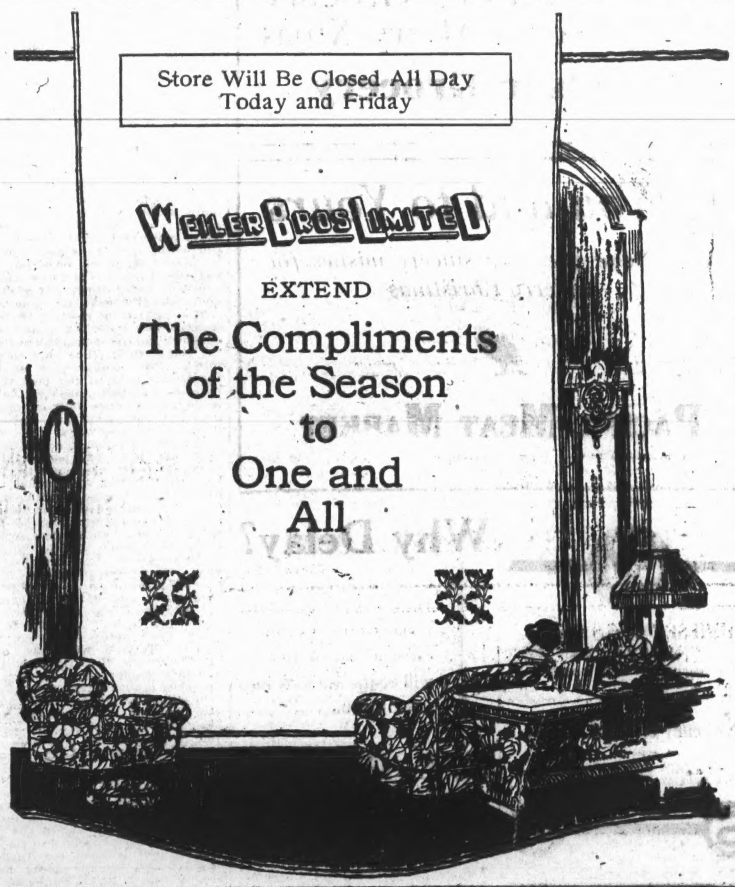

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CHINESE PUPILS GIVE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Scholars of Methodist Mission Sunday School Entertain Large Audience at Annual Social

In spite of the pouring rain the Chinese Methodist Church was crowded to the doors on Tuesday night on the occasion of their annual Christmas Sunday School concert. Dr. Osterhout, superintendent of the work for British Columbia, was present and presided in his usual genial manner.

The programme, which consisted of choruses, quartettes, trios, solos, recitations and exercises, was well rendered and heartily applauded by the large audience, many encores being called for. The children looked their happiest and seemed to thoroughly enjoy entertaining their visitors. The pastor's family deserve special mention, rendering their selections with a perfection that was wonderful in such small children.

An interesting and pleasing item was the presentation to the mission by Miss Martin of a "lantern" donated largely by her home church in Ontario. It is hoped this will be a great help in the work of the mission.

After the distribution of gifts refreshments were served by the young men, and a very happy social time was spent.

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ESTEEMED PIONEER PASSES TO HER REST

Mrs. Mary Grahame, Relict of Late Chief Commissioner of Hudson's Bay Company, Dies at Her Home Yesterday.

In the death yesterday of Mrs. Mary Grahame, widow of the late James Allen Grahame, former Chief Commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Company, and fifth daughter of the late Hon. John Work, chief factor of the great company, British Columbia lost one of the oldest, if not the oldest, of the real pioneers of the province. After a long illness Mrs. Grahame passed away in her 83rd year. Her death will be sincerely regretted by a very large circle of friends, to whom she was endeared by her kindly nature. For thirty-three years she had been one of the most highly respected residents of Victoria, one who always took a quiet but none the less effective share in the woman's sphere of endeavor in the community, and her influence for good was always exerted and felt.

The late Mrs. Grahame was born at Port Simpson, B.C., and educated in Victoria under the Rev. Mr. Staines and Mrs. Staines. She spent her maiden life here and was married to Mr. Grahame by Bishop Hills at the old Hillside Church. By virtue of his position with the Hudson's Bay Company the late Mr. Grahame was called upon to travel extensively throughout the West and Mrs. Grahame accompanied him on most of his trips. In consequence she possessed an intimate knowledge of the great country over which the company's operations were spread. They resided at Norway House, Victoria, Montreal and Winnipeg, and finally settled down in this city thirty-three years ago.

The late Mrs. Grahame leaves surviving her one son and two daughters, Mr. Harry Grahame, ex-alderman and present president of the Victoria Conservative Association; Mrs. Lillian Brooks and Miss Margaret Grahame. One sister, Mrs. Charles S. Jones, at present resides in England, and there are a number of nephews and nieces in various parts. Deceased was a lifelong member of the Anglican church, attending St. John's Church. The funeral will take place on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Company's Chapel, where the body is now reposing, to the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery. The funeral services will be conducted by Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick.

GENERAL MEWBURN REPLIES TO WIRES

Minister of Militia Says They Will Bear Weight When Decision Is Reached on Location of 16th Scottish.

Acting Mayor W. G. Cameron yesterday received a wire from Major-General S. C. Mewburn, Minister of Militia, stating that his message urging the location of the 16th Canadian Scottish in Victoria had been received, that the matter was still under consideration, and that the representations made to him on the subject would bear weight when the decision was finally reached.

Following a brief conference with Major-General R. G. E. Leckie, the general officer commanding this district, a deputation from the Board of Trade decided to have a message sent to General Mewburn supporting previous representations. Mr. J. O. Cameron, president of the Board of Trade, wired as follows to the Minister of Militia:

"Victoria Board of Trade respectfully submits that the city and Island's splendid enlistment record entitles recognition. Perpetuation in Victoria of the number of one of the overseas battalions which served throughout the war is desired. This Board of Trade strongly urges that Victoria's reasonable claim be granted without delay. Population and pride of citizens insure maintenance of the strength and traditions of the battalion to be stationed here."

Sugar Refinery Idle

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 24.—It is announced today that the Atlantic Sugar Refineries have stopped manufacturing owing to lack of raw material, and the manufacturing part of the plant will be closed until January 1. This will put about 200 men out of employment for that length of time.

Known to Be Dead

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The following casualty list was issued today: Previously reported wounded and missing, now killed in action: Lieut. H. C. Saunders, M.M., Kingston, Ont.; U. Campbell, Edmonton.

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SEASON'S MESSAGE ISSUED BY MAYOR

Mayor Porter, who returned on the afternoon boat from Ottawa, yesterday issued the following Christmas message to the citizens of Victoria:

"I extend my best wishes for a merry, merry Christmas, hoping that the New Year will dawn bright and clear and that the era of prosperity that we have enjoyed this year will continue.

(Signed) "R. J. PORTER,
"Mayor."

BOARD OF COMMERCE SECRETARY HERE

Mr. William White, K. C., Staying in City Over Christmas—Met Retail Merchants' Association on Monday.

At a meeting of the Provincial Executive of the Retail Merchants' Association, with a representative committee of Vancouver retailers, held Monday in the rooms of the Retail Merchants' Association, Pacific Building, Mr. William White, K.C., secretary of the Board of Commerce, spoke on many matters of interest to those present. He explained the reasons of the establishment of the Board of Commrce, the constitution of the organization and the orders issued, and cleared up many points, the wording of which in orders had made them rather obscure. He stated that the Board wished to do the right thing to all parties concerned.

Mr. White pointed out that he was not empowered to make rulings or interpretations, but would accept any representations the Association desired to make concerning the orders of the Board, and would see that they reached the proper authorities and receive due consideration.

The committee presented material which they desired to have the Board consider, in the form of a memorandum, covering the activities of the Board on such lines as have been the subject of its orders. Mr. White is spending his Christmas in the city.

OBITUARY NOTICES

GIBBS—The funeral of the late Mrs. Gibbs, of Vancouver, whose remains arrived yesterday morning from the Mainland, took place at 10:30 from the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, yesterday. Rev. H. S. Osborne officiated. There were many friends present, and the floral offerings were very beautiful. The following were pallbearers: Dr. Clemence, W. G. Dickinson, W. G. Terry and F. W. Davie. Interment was made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

CARSTAIR—The death occurred yesterday at the Jubilee Hospital of Robert Carstair, aged 85 years, a resident of Beaver Point. The remains are reposing at the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, pending funeral arrangements.

HARRIS—The remains of the late Baby Harrington Harris were laid to rest in Ross Bay Cemetery yesterday afternoon. Service was held in the B.C. Funeral Chapel at 2 o'clock, the Rev. H. T. Archbold officiating. Many friends of the family were in attendance, and the little casket was covered with beautiful floral tributes.

TAIT—The funeral of the late Mrs. Agnes Tait, wife of Mr. Leonard Tait, took place yesterday from the family residence, 831 Ellery Street, where an impressive service was conducted by the Rev. Robert Connell. There was a large attendance, and a beautiful floral offering. The hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee" was sung. The remains were placed to rest in Ross Bay Cemetery. The following, all sons of the deceased, acted as pallbearers: J. L. Tait, D. E. Tait, E. S. Tait, E. L. Tait, J. F. Tait and H. C. Tait.

MARTIN—The remains of the late Miss Ivy Louisa Martin will be laid to rest on Friday. Service will be held in the B.C. Funeral Chapel at 2 o'clock the Rev. J. W. Flinton officiating. Interment will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

BOYDELL—The funeral of the late Thomas Boydell took place yesterday afternoon from the B.C. Funeral Chapel, where service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Wilkinson. Two hymns were sung, "Rock of Ages" and "Abide With Me." The remains were laid to rest in Ross Bay Cemetery. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: John R. Boydell, R. E. Hearle, W. R. Day and L. Hearle.

SPENCER—The funeral of the late Samuel Spencer will take place on Friday, the cortege leaving the Sands Funeral Chapel at 1:15 o'clock, and at 2:30 o'clock services will be conducted at St. Stephen's Church, Saanich, by the Rev. Mr. Baston. Interment in St. Stephen's Cemetery.

SKINNER—The death took place at an early hour this morning of Mrs. Margaret Skinner, aged 69 years, born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and a resident of this city for the past thirty-one years. She is survived by two sons, George W. and Frank T. Skinner and two daughters, Mrs. E. Geiger and Miss Amy Skinner, all residing in this city. Mrs. Skinner was a highly respected pioneer of this city. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the above residence. Interment will be made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

Newspaper Burned Out

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Dec. 24.—Practically its entire plant destroyed by fire early today the Marshalltown Times-Republican was printed on job presses in various parts of the city today. The fire, of unknown origin, was discovered shortly before midnight.

Two Dollars Conscience Money

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The Department of Finance acknowledged receipt of two one-dollar bills as conscience money. These were enclosed in an envelope postmarked Ottawa.

FACTORIES NOT YET UP TO NORMALITY

Mr. H. Currie, Manager of Weiler Bros. Limited, Back From Old Country—Victoria to Have Many Settlers.

"We are anticipating a large influx of population to Victoria and the Island," said Mr. H. Currie, manager of Weiler Bros., Limited, who returned Sunday from a buying trip to England. "Many people with fair means contemplate settling here in the spring, and it should be a good thing for the community," he said. "While in England I was struck with the festive spirit which everybody was displaying. It seemed to be a kind of reaction after the strain of the war. There seemed to be plenty of money in everybody's hands and little desire to work.

"I do not look for any material reduction in the cost of any articles," said Mr. Currie. "The factories are not up to their normal production. The men in very great numbers are not working, but the women are still playing a leading and important part in the mills. Many of the looms will have to be overhauled, and, in fact, new machinery installed before full production will be obtained. The looms have been used during the war for coarser grades of goods. The trouble, however, seems to be that they cannot find the time to make the necessary improvements. England is swamped with orders from France, Roumania and other countries. The requirements of this country are infinitesimal to these.

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Mr. Currie left here September 24, but had to wait some time for steamship accommodation before returning. He visited London, Glasgow and Manchester.

BELIEVES VICTORIA SHOULD HAVE UNIT

Lieut.-Col. Lorne Ross Would Like to See Recommendations of Recent Commission Re 16th Batt. Carried Out.

"There is no question that we can support a battalion here," said Lieut.-Col. Lorne Ross yesterday to a Colonist reporter when questioned as to the appeal which has been made to Ottawa through General Leckie, G.O.C., for the establishment of a militia unit of the famous "Sixteenth." General Leckie, when questioned on the matter, referred The Colonist to Colonel Lorne Ross, who readily gave his views as to the claims which are set forward for the organization of the 16th Battalion here.

"The 16th Battalion was formed of the Gordons, Seaforths, Argylls and Camerons. Victoria sent early in the war one company of Gordons; after the battle of Langemarck the 16th was reinforced by two companies of the Gordons from the 30th Battalion. Later on, the 16th got another draft from Victoria."

Colonel Lorne Ross, who, it will be recalled, left with the first company of the 50th Gordon Highlanders, later (after being wounded in France), returning to Canada and being authorized to organize the 67th Battalion, Western Scots, which he took overseas in March, 1916. He recalls that during the last two years of the war the reinforcements for the 16th Battalion all came from Winnipeg, and maintains that Winnipeg was really entitled to the regiment to be organized under the militia scheme, having contributed some two thousand men against Victoria's eight or nine hundred for the 16th.

"However, eventually it was a question as to whether Victoria or Vancouver should have it," he summarized. "The commission which was out here some weeks ago, after having heard the claims of both sides, allotted the 16th to Victoria, and about a month ago a printed memorandum from Ottawa to this effect was received here, saying that under a tentative plan for reorganization of the militia the 16th should come here and the 7th, 29th, 72nd and 123rd would go to Vancouver. There is no reason why this should not be carried out, to my mind. We sent about ten thousand men from Vancouver Island overseas, and we have nothing to show for it under the remodelled scheme. Victoria could well support a Scottish regiment."

Mr. Rigg's Appointment

WINNIPEG, Dec. 24.—R. A. Rigg, western organizer for the Canadian Labor Congress, received notice today from the Civil Service Commission at Ottawa of his appointment to the position of superintendent of employment offices in Western Canada. Major L. F. Haward, who prior to Mr. Rigg's appointment was acting manager of the western clearing house employment service of Canada, has left to take up similar duties in Ottawa.

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NEW COMPANIES

Four New Concerns Have Victoria Capital Behind Them—Cover Various Ranges of Activities

Twenty-one new companies were incorporated during the past week, according to announcement in the current week's Provincial Gazette. Victoria concerns in which local capital is interested were: Genoa Logging Company, Ltd., with a capital of $250,000, and head office here; Victoria (Drive Yourself) Auto Livery, Ltd., $20,000, Victoria; Veterans' Products Company, Ltd., $50,000, Victoria; and Electro Products Company, Ltd., $10,000, Victoria.

Other new companies were: Mine Operators, Ltd., $100,000, Vancouver; The "Returned Citizen" Publishing Company, Ltd., $20,000, Vancouver; Masset Timber Company, Ltd., $1,000,000, Vancouver; New Westminster Oil Corporation, Ltd., Vancouver; Crescent Ice Cream, Ltd., $25,000, Vancouver; W. S. Holland Agencies, Ltd., $10,000, Vancouver; Northern Warehouse Company, Ltd., $10,000, Vancouver; Gulf Saw Mills, Ltd., $20,000, Vancouver; Waldo Cattle Company, Ltd., $50,000, Cranbrook; Point Grey Construction Company, Ltd., $25,000, Vancouver; Pacific Berry Growers, Ltd., $100,000, Vancouver; Dominion Distributors, Ltd., $50,000 Vancouver; Clark Mill Company, Ltd., $20,000, Vancouver; Faulds, McQueen and Pearce, Ltd., $100,000, Vancouver; The Elk Valley Lumber Company, Ltd., a Manitoba incorporation, has been licensed to carry on business in this Province.

Case of Lieut. Vogel

THE HAGUE, Dec. 24.—The recent request of the German Government for the extradition of Lieut. Kurt Vogel, who is charged with the murder of Rosa Luxemburg, was heard by the Haarlem court today. It was decided to consult with the Government before making a decision. Attorney Van Houton, representing Vogel, announced that the question of the right to extradite a man charged with a political crime was raised by the court.

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EXPRESS GRATITUDE

Veterans of Surveys Branch Make Presentation to Miss Egerton in Memory of Her Kindnesses

Enthusiastic testimony to her kindness during the war to those members of the branch who were overseas was expressed yesterday afternoon by the returned men on the staff of the Surveys Branch of the Department of Lands, when a presentation was made to Miss Egerton of a brooch and jewel casket.

The presentation was made by Captain C. G. Aitken, M.C. and bar. In making it, Captain Aitken asserted one of the most satisfactory honors he had enjoyed since he returned from overseas was that cast upon him by request of his fellow-members of the branch that he should make the presentation, and to represent to Miss Egerton the feelings of deep appreciation of members of the staff who had been overseas for the unfailing support and encouragement she organized and for her devotion to the comfort and interests of the men of which they had all received token.

"It is our pleasure, now, to express our admiration of your spirit of devotion, this same spirit which was and always will be the most priceless asset in the successes of our country. We ask you to accept this little brooch and jewel casket so that in these you may always touch the sure knowledge of our remembrance."

Another C.P.R. Accident

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—A private message received here this afternoon says: "Another accident on the Canadian Pacific Railway near the scene of the disaster a few days ago, at Onawa, Maine, occurred last night when train No. 18, westbound, left the rails three miles east of Terrytine, Maine. There were no casualties, but the track was torn up for three hundred feet, causing several hours' delay to trains."

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Taming My Husband

By Kathleen Fox

XCI—A MOST INTERESTING STRANGER

Just when Crittenden was enjoying himself at his worst, the Boyds had the greatest adventure and experience of their married life. One day in February came to their home a most interesting stranger. But he did not long remain a stranger, notwithstanding that something amazingly new about him constantly was being learned, appreciated and exploited.

The enthusiastic welcome Chester and Marjorie extended to him was one calculated to put the strangest stranger in all the world at his ease; but how effective their treatment was in its entirety I can not say with any particular assurance, for the simple reason that I had both visible and audible proof that the newcomer was, at times, greatly dissatisfied. At any rate the violence of his outcries and the unhappy though frank expressions of his countenance helped me to such a conclusion.

He was a very little stranger, regardless of the fact that Chester and Marjorie, with whom he found such favor, considered him enormous. He had come to them from far away—the stars, I believe. His name was Chester Boyd, Jr., and he had come to stay. Of that I was doubly sure from the very definite manner in which he immediately proceeded to make himself quite at home.

The Boyd baby easily became the centre of interest for the three families, his own, of course, that of the still honeymooning Langleys, and ours. Even Crittenden, during moments of surcease from his irrational acts and thoughts, asked various and varied questions concerning the important personage in whose favor Chester, Sr., had seen fit or been forced to abdicate. But he seemed content to obtain his information second hand, despite the fact that I had been privileged to see the baby soon after his arrival, a circumstance that, in almost any other instance, would have aroused in my now unruly Crittenden a feeling of impatience and envy.

In response, however, to my reiterated advice that the Boyds would feel hurt if he did not go to see the child with me, he consented one afternoon, when little Chester was about 3 weeks old. And, while he seemed much interested in both Marjorie and the baby, he appeared to be glad, something from him that astounded me, for I had not dreamed that his interest in the Boyd baby was more than that of a friendly neighbor.

"Marjorie Boyd is a real woman now," he said, half to himself. "A mother; that's great! It's a wonder you wouldn't have one," he remarked, turning his eyes swiftly upon me.

He did not give me a chance to do more than wonder at what he said. And the subject was so new—we had never discussed it—and his attitude so surprising that I didn't think there was anything I could have said at the moment.

"I mean it," he went on; "that's what you ought to have, a baby. If you had one, if you fulfilled your woman's destiny, you'd find less time to sulk like you've been doing the past several months. But you couldn't stay off that confounded horse long enough!"

I looked at Crittenden, whose face was drawn into a hard, unyielding mask as he peered into the gathering twilight through the windshield of the car. Still I said nothing. I was thinking. I had been thinking a great deal on my own account since Marjorie's baby had come into her life and Chester's, but Crittenden had known nothing of that.

"Well," he demanded, "are you speechless? I'd think you would be, though," he added, contemptuously. It was impossible for him to talk to me about the dearest thing to a woman's heart without making it unpleasant.

"Why don't you say what you are thinking?" he insisted. "Why don't you tell the truth—that you don't want one? Why don't you acknowledge it?"

"I don't want one," I said, boldly. "Not yet."

He turned upon me angrily, not, I believe, because of what I had said, but for the reason that I opposed him.

"Certainly you don't!" he exclaimed. "You want that demned horse! You want to run over to see that girl Jack Langley married. You want to chase in town. You want your freedom. Besides, you're not game—bah!"

I felt fired to answer him. He was wrong. I knew it, for no woman wanted a child more than I. Especially since I had seen how Marjorie Boyd adored hers.

Oh, indeed, I should tell him how I felt about it. He had not spared me. He had not cared how deep his thrusts had gone, how he had hurt, outraged the tenderest instincts a woman may have. Then why, why should I spare him? I would not spare him. I did not.

FRIDAY — THE FINEST REASON A WOMAN COULD HAVE.

MEMBERS OF A.O.U.W. WED LAST EVENING

Christmas Eve Ceremony Unites David Walker and Miss Hilma Smitha—Witnessed by Large Assembly.

Garlands and festoons of holly, ivy and evergreens with Yuletide decorations formed an effective setting for the marriage ceremony, uniting Miss Hilma Smitha and David Walker, both well known members of the local A. O. U. W., which took place last evening at 9 o'clock at the K. of C. Hall, Fort Street. The ceremony, which was performed according to the lodge ritual by the Rev. J. Gibson Inkster, was witnessed by about one hundred members of the order, who formed a circle around the bridal party as they took up their position beneath a huge white bell.

The bride, who wore a becoming navy blue serge suit with large blue velvet hat, was given away by her mother, Mrs. Forrest, and was attended as bridesmaid by the groom's sister, Miss Sara Walker, while Mr. Albert Jones supported the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde and Mr. and Mrs. George Kerr and other relatives also accompanied the briday party. Mrs. Ridgard played the wedding music.

Following the ceremony a sumptuous supper was served by the sister-members at the end of the hall, ex-Mayor Alex. Stewart, grand district deputy grand master of the A.O.U.W., presiding over this enjoyable feature. During the supper the bridal pair were presented with a handsome set of silver cutlery, the grand secretary, Brother J. T. McIlmoyl, making the presentation in behalf of the order, and the groom responded in a happy little speech, acknowledging the gift for his bride and himself.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker left on the midnight boat for Vancouver, where the honeymoon is being spent. They will make their home here on their return.

COMMON DISEASES OFTEN DANGEROUS

Chief Among These Is the Ordinary Cold in the Head —Prompt Treatment Required.

Many people think a cold in the head is something which comes once or twice a year, and that it will always work itself off without attention.

No greater mistake could be made. A cold in the head will sow the seeds of acute disease unless it is treated promptly. Even when the cold does work off itself it leaves the patient weakened and liable to an attack from disease.

When a cold in the head appears start work at once. Keep the system open. Check the fever which shows, especially toward night. Allay the soreness which develops in the membranes. Tone up the system to fight the after weakness.

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MIDNIGHT MASS IS ATTENDED BY MANY

Big Congregation Present at Pontifical High Mass at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Bishop Officiating.

A very large congregation attended midnight mass at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Right Rev. Alexander MacDonald, the Bishop of Victoria, being the officiant, and Father Macdonnell and Father Macdonald being assistants. Pontifical High Mass was celebrated at midnight, special music being furnished by the choir under the leadership of Mr. Frank Sehl and with Miss Margaret Mackay at the organ in the absence of Mr. Benedict Bantley. The Mass of St. Patrick (Vaughan) was sung first, and during the offertory Mr. F. J. Mitchell sang Adam's "Noel," Novello's arrangement of the "Adeste Fideles" being also included in the musical part of the service.

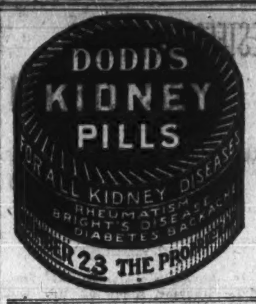
WEDDINGS

Gravlin—Stevenson

The marriage of Jeannette Cunningham Stevenson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Stevenson, 1928 Ash Street, to Walter Henry Gravlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gravlin, 137 Oak Bay Avenue, took place yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, a large company of relatives and friends witnessing the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. J. Gibson Inkster. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a lovely wedding gown of white satin and georgette, the bodice of which was charmingly draped with silver lace. She wore a veil of embroidered tulle, caught in a very pretty fashion with a wreath of orange blossoms and carried an arm bouquet of white chrysanthemums and carnations. She was attended by her sister, Miss Grace Stevenson, who wore a pretty frock of pale pink ninon and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Mr. and Mrs. Gravlin left on the 4:30 boat for Seattle, en route to Portland, where their honeymoon will be spent. On their return they will make their home at 1931 Oak Bay Avenue. The young couple, who have a wide circle of friends, received many beautiful presents, among those prised by the bride being a silver tea service, presented by the firm of Yarrow's, Limited, and a case of silver cutlery, the gift of Yarrow's office staff, of which she was a member for over three years.

Jeune—Purser

An event of interest to many in Victoria took place in Seattle on the 23rd inst., when Laurel Elsie, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip J. Jeune, of Saanichton, late of Victoria, was married to "Greg" M. Purser, who was until lately at the Bank of British North America, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Purser, of 671 Beacon Street, Victoria. The wedding took place at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Dr. James E. Crewther officiating. The bride was prettily attired in her travelling costume of French blue broadcloth. Those attending the wedding from Victoria were her sisters, Edith and Alma, and the bridegroom's parents. The newly married couple take up their residence at Lucille Court, Portland, Ore.



HONOR IS BESTOWED ON EVE OF CHRISTMAS

Humane Society Certificate Is Awarded to Arthur Warren in Recognition of Brave Rescue Effected at Gorge.

A very interesting little ceremony took place on Christmas Eve at the plant of Yarrows, Limited, Esquimalt, when a beautifully engraved life-saving certificate was presented to Arthur Warren.

It will be recalled that on the evening of May 22 last, Jack Lloyd-Young and a friend of his were capsized in the strong current above the Gorge Bridge, and that whilst Lloyd-Young was clinging helplessly to the overturned canoe, Arthur Warren, being attracted by cries of distress, threw off some of his outer clothes and gallantly swam out. After considerable exertion, owing to the swift current which was running that night, Warren succeeded in getting his man ashore.

The facts of the case, supported by affidavits, were brought to the attention of the Royal Canadian Humane Association, and the investigating governors have now awarded a certificate to young Warren in commemoration of his gallant act.

Victorians will all feel proud and glad that the plucky rescue has been recognized by the Royal Canadian Humane Association.

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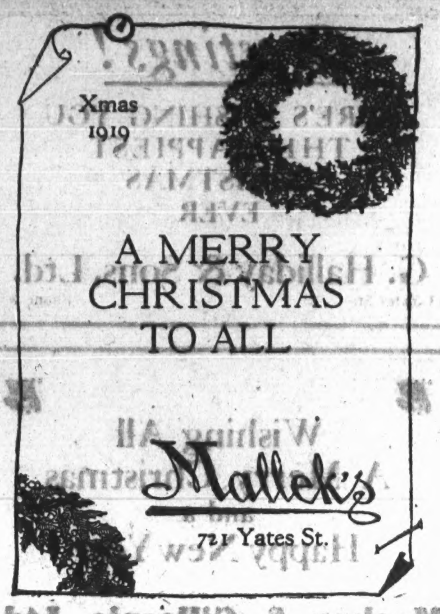

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Mr. and Mrs. Newton Burdick arrived in the city yesterday from Vancouver to spend the Christmas holidays with the latter's mother, Mrs. J. McB. Smith, Oak Bay.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilson are spending the holidays in Vancouver, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Reid, Barclay Street.

Mrs. C. B. Pearson, accompanied by her little daughter Betty, arrived in the city on Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Watt, 1282 Richardson Street.

Friends of Mr. Justice Clement will be glad to learn that he has so far recovered from his recent paralytic stroke as to be able to leave St. Joseph's Hospital on Monday and return to his home in Vancouver.

The Christmas season will be celebrated at the Sooke Harbor Hotel on Saturday, December 27, by one of the jolly little dances which have proved such a popular feature since the hotel was taken over by Major George Nicholson and Captain Willis. It is anticipated that a number of Victorians will motor out to Sooke for the dance, which promises to be a very enjoyable affair of the Yuletide season.

Mr. and Mrs. McLean and little daughters Helen and Mary, of Vancouver, are spending the Christmas holidays at the home of Mrs. McLean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, 1422 Gladstone Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Lowell, accompanied by their little daughter, Madeline, arrived in the city yesterday from Seattle, to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Davies, 2110 Belmont Avenue.

Mr. J. E. Andrews, of the Andrews Realty Co., is pending Christmas with friends in Vancouver.

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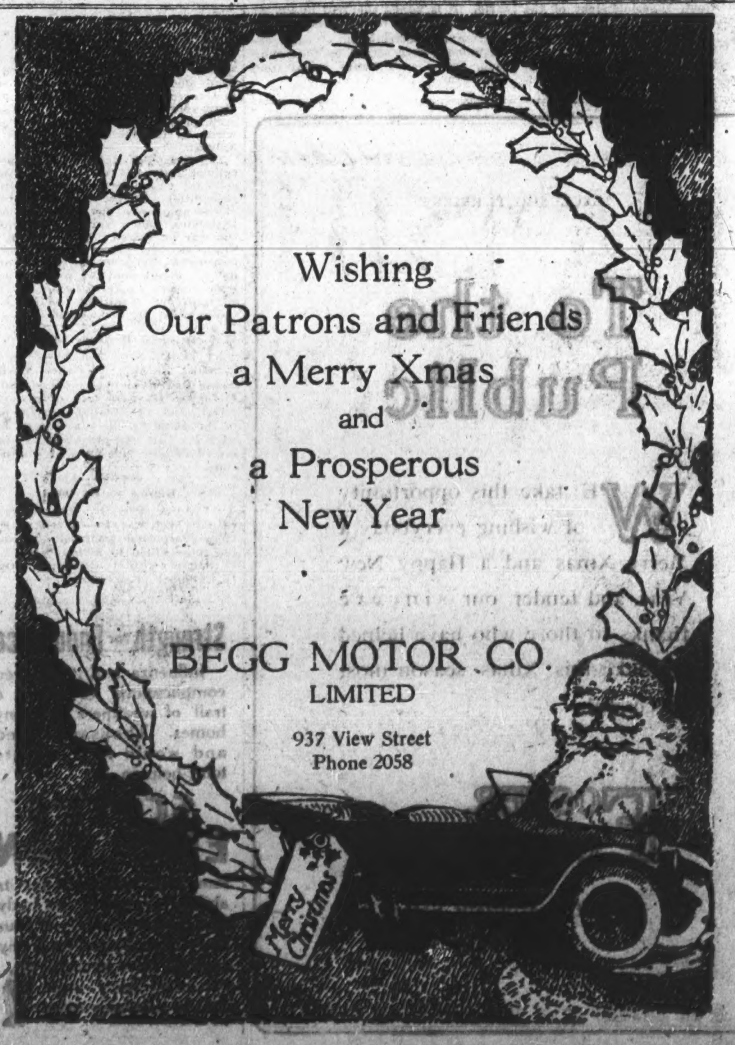

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SPANISH UNREST GROWS SERIOUS

Strikes and Lockouts in Madrid and Barcelona Leave Many Idle—Flour Supply Is Giving Out.

MADRID, Thursday, Dec. 25.—The labor situation in Madrid is becoming more serious.

Thirty thousand masons are out as a consequence of the lockout. The strike of the tramway employees continues, and the company is able to run only one-third of its cars.

At Barcelona, the flour milling companies have closed down, and there is only sufficient flour for three days.

Dispatches received today said 8,000 miners at Almaden, 65 miles north of Cordova, have gone on strike.

BUDAPEST RADICALS SENTENCED TO DEATH

BUDAPEST, Dec. 24.—Five additional communists have been sentenced to death, including Eugène Lascie, author, journalist and lawyer. Nine others have been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment.

The police have issued warrants for Alexander Garbai, former Premier, charging him with instituting 204 murders. Garbai is reported in Klausenberg and is said to be under Austrian jurisdiction.

Killed by Avalanche

BERNE, Dec. 24.—Seven persons have been killed in an avalanche that covered several chalets at the mountain resort of Davos. A series of avalanches has been caused in several places by the thaw after a heavy snowfall.

French Officers on Trial

MAYENCE, Dec. 24.—The war tribunal yesterday placed 17 French officers and several French and German civilians on trial for bribery and corruption, issuing false passes and other charges. The officers were stationed at Saarbruck and Ludwigshafen. Some pleaded guilty.

Girl Kills Herself

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Ella Patton, 16 years old, shot and killed herself today because her mother punished her for telling lies. The girl was found in the bathroom of her home with a note beside her which read: "You will never get me lying again."

London Theatrical Strike

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Ministry of Labor has taken a hand in the negotiations to avert the threatened theatrical strike, and notices have been issued which will delay the strike until Monday at the earliest, if it takes place at all.

Belgian Army Service

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24.—The Belgian Chamber has adopted the Minister of War's suggestion that two classes be called to the colors within a year. This will give Belgium, as total effectives, 1,000,000 men.

Bread For Christmas

VIENNA, Dec. 24.—Austrian authorities have arranged Christmas gifts of one loaf of bread for each person of slightly better quality than usual. Physicians report an epidemic of intestinal diseases from the bread consumed during the last few months.

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MOST DANGEROUS PERIOD OF LIFE

When People Cross the Bridge Between 49 and 55 They May Attain Fullness of Years.

The average lifetime of man is tending to become shorter, and that tendency is not more marked in the cities, as one might be led to suspect, but in the country districts. It is there that the New York State Reconstruction Commission, which has been studying the health problem for a year, finds the most urgent need for state aid, and it was with respect to the conditions that were revealed in the study of that problem that Dr. Henry Dwight Chapin, chairman of the commission's committee on public health, spoke recently.

Dr. Chapin emphasized the fact that instead of man's life stretching out to the allotted three score and ten, it was becoming more and more common for it to terminate somewhere between the ages of 49 and 55. "This," Dr. Dwight said, "is the dangerous age of human life from the physical point of view. Statistics show that it is at this period that ailments develop and most quickly reach their crisis; that it is at this period that death is most widespread. And they also show that once a man or woman has passed this period his longevity is reasonably well assured and there is every probability that he will live to a ripe old age. As the years go by this prevalence of life-termination at the 49-to-55 period of life, rather than decreasing, is growing steadily stronger.

"It is the men and women of this age that the country can most ill afford to lose, for they are probably its most useful citizens. They have reached the fruition of their knowledge; they have in most cases brought into the world children whom they are busily engaged in training to become healthy, helpful members of the community. It is men of this age who hold the best positions in the business and civic world by reason of their experience, and who probably form the firm economic background of the community.

Life Should Be Longer

"The prevalence of death among the men and women of this age is in direct contradiction to the law of nature. The length of life of the animal body should naturally be five times the length of time required for the growth of its bones. If the bones take two or three years to develop the lifetime of the animal should be ten or fifteen years—this, of course, aside from death by accident or from any such outside cause. The bones of the human animal develop until the child is well along in its teens. It is obvious, therefore, that man, with all his growth in the mastery of the sciences, with his wonderful achievements, is not only failing to go forward in that greatest of all sciences, the prolongation of life, but is steadily going backward.

"It's only natural that most people would answer to this, 'Life is becoming more complex, they would say. There is more wear and tear upon the mind and body of the individual. Of course, he cannot last so long as he formerly did."

In reply to this Dr. Chapin pointed out that it is in the cities that the complexities of life increase most rapidly. "And," he continued, "it is in the cities that the death rate is the lowest, and it is in the rural districts, in the isolated and sparsely populated communities, that it is brought to its overwhelming proportions. Therefore since it is not natural that men and women should die thus early in life, and since obviously it is not mainly from outside causes that the majority of these deaths do occur, it is from something unnatural, something remediable.

"And if it is remediable, obviously its growth denotes lack of care and prevention. Why is the death rate so low in the cities? Because in these communities you find hospitals, your welfare stations, your organized charities. It is there that, whatsoever the need of the human being, he can most readily and satisfactorily find help in his difficulty. There physicians of all kinds are numerous, hospitals open their doors to the rich and the poor alike. That, then, is the solution of the problem—constant care and help when it is needed. In the isolated communities doctors are scarce, people are left to shift more or less for themselves—and through sheer laziness they do it rather more than less. If a man has to drive several miles behind a horse over rough roads to see why he has 'that queer pain in his ear or over his heart,' the chances are that he will postpone the trip from day to day. And if it so happens that one doctor is an authority on ailments of the ear, while another some distance away is an authority on the heart, your man isn't going to bother going to both these places—he'll see to one ailment and very probably neglect the other altogether.

Care for the Grownups

"So that it is not sufficient that we confine our health care to the young of our country—in whom such care is coming more and more to centre, even though it be true that it is to the young that the nation look as its strength and the strength of the coming generation. The adult, too, must have his sources of care and help in the immediate vicinity."

Vaccination Order Refused

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—Justice Sutherland has refused the application of the provincial board of health for an order to compel the City of Toronto to carry out a compulsory vaccination order. In his judgment he holds that the Ontario board of health cannot ask for such an order, but if the Ontario Attorney-General consents to be added to the application he will give the application further hearing.

Overcome By Gas

BURLINGTON, Ill., Dec. 24.—Two women were killed and 12 persons were overcome by illuminating gas which escaped through a leak in a main and penetrating into a sewer, made its way through drain pipes into several residences. The two dead women were suffocated. Seven of those overcome were taken to a hospital but it was said tonight that all would recover.

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WAR PRODUCED NEW KIND OF ANCHOR CHAIN

A new kind of anchor chain has made its appearance, and it is the direct outcome of war needs. As a result of the tremendous expansion in shipbuilding there has naturally followed a correspondingly greater need for chain for anchors for these new ships. It has therefore been the custom to use for such purposes wrought iron chain, either hand or steam hammer welded. But it was soon found that the present wrought iron anchor chain making capacity of the country was equal to only about thirty-three per cent of the new demand.

The old wrought iron chain has always been made by welding together as links round bars of various size into a chain of any desired length and dimension. Steel chain has been tried in the past, but it was not found satisfactory. It was either too ductile to keep its shape under stress or too brittle or hard to insure durable welds when united in the shape of chain.

The new problem to find a suitable chain was a difficult one, one that needed immediate solution. Steel makers and foundry men have solved the problem in a most interesting and commendable manner.

The result is a cast steel chain, or one that if poured of steel in sand molds, similar to any steel casting. Chain or almost any size or length for anchors is now being made successfully and commercially of cast steel. It is possible to pour the links all at once into a continuous chain or to pour separate links and then pour the complete chain by putting these in alternate moulds and pouring the intervening ones in and around these. Large orders have been placed and are now being filled for this ne wtype of chain, known as electrict cast-steel anchor chain.

It is called electric because a special type of steel is used which is made in the electric furnace. Its composition is not made public, but it is a simple alloy steel. Since the material in such a chain must be of the highest quality and because electric steel is the best made, the steel used is electric. After being poured in the form of chain it is shaken out of the molds and then given a special heat treatment which imparts to it its highest possible qualities. Such chain has been severely tested, and it has been found to be very strong and durable under shock and stress of the severest kind, and to be even better than wrought iron chain.

Halifax Citizen Dies

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 24.—George A. Mackenzie, former alderman and formerly manager of the Acadia Sugar Refining Co., died at his home here this morning.

Both Shot Dead

DUBLIN, Ga., Dec. 24.—W. E. Hathaway, a policeman, was fatally shot today as he entered the home of Ashley Warnock, seeking an illicit still. After he fell the policeman fired five bullets into his assailant. Both Hathaway and Warnock died within a few minutes.

Rescued From Sable Island

HALIFAX, Dec. 24.—The steamer Lady Laurier, an icebreaker, arrived today carrying officers and crew of the Greek steamer Plates, which went ashore on Sable Island two months ago. The crew had remained on the island in the hope that the ship would be refloated.

New German Coat of Arms

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—The German Government has chosen a new coat of arms for the republic. It consists of a black eagle and yellow background without other ornamentation, the crown and other emblems having disappeared.

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JUGO-SLAVS ENTER EMPHATIC PROTEST

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Members of the Jugo-Slav parliament from Adriatic regions occupied by Italy—Gorizia, Trieste, Istria, Carniola, Fiume and Dalmatia—have protested to Premier Clemenceau against the reported projects of Gabriele d'Annunzio to occupy regions of Jugo-Slavia and against what they term the abuse by Italy of power confided to it by the Allies and America.

The members of the Jugo-Slav parliament also have demanded in the name of the rights of humanity that the Italians release Jugo-Slav prisoners of war and send them home, as Italy already has done, they declare, with the Germans and Magyars.

Czecho-Slovak Elections

VIENNA, Dec. 24.—Premier Tusar of Czecho-Slovakia has promised that elections for the general assembly will be held in the next few weeks. This action has been taken on the insistence of the German party, constituting half the population, which has heretofore not been represented.

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Baseball Transfers

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Del Gainer and Paul Smith were sold by the Boston Americans yesterday to the Milwaukee American Association club, it was announced last night. Gainer came to the Red Sox on a waiver from Detroit in 1914. Smith is an outfielder. After coming to Boston from Montreal in 1917, he was called into military service.

Promised a Tryout

CHICAGO, Dec. 24. — Ronald ("Lefty") Coleman, young semi-professional pitcher of Oakland, Calif., whose chief claim to fame was gained by three successive no-hit games pitched on the Coast last Summer, has been promised a tryout with the Chicago Nationals, it was announced today. He will report to Manager Mitchell at Pasadena, Calif., in the Spring.

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Roberts	Murray	Eddie Oatman
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Adams, W.		Tommy Dunderdale

Here they are! The complete aggregation of puckchasers on the Coast to battle for the pennant and impatiently straining on the leash for the opening of the season. Each of the teams in the triangular race has several new faces to introduce to the Coast fans, and the home supporters will be able to get a line up on one or two of them when the curtain is raised with the Seattle Mets and the Victoria Aristocrats on the ice at the Arena, 8:30 Friday night.

Seattle Fans Coming

There is every indication that the great building will be packed, and the Capital City fans will not do their rooting unchallenged. A big party of hockey enthusiasts from Seattle have announced their intention of taking the trip with Pete Muldoon's pets, and there will also be an influx of Millionaire supporters anxious to get a line on the septette that will cross to the Mainland to do battle with the men under Lloyd Cook's management Monday. The Aristocrats, with two games in four days, open the season lively, "and," comments one of the railbirds who have been watching the lads go through their steps, "it means that we shall have a couple of games in hand right at the beginning of the season."

Barometer Is High

The barometer of enthusiasm—the demand for pasteboards—shows that the ranks of the fans who so cordially supported the black-and-gold puckchasers last season will be swelled this year, and Manager Patrick's idea of allowing a seat to be booked for the whole season but cancelled up to five o'clock on the night of the game if the fan finds he is unable to attend, has received a lot of commendation.

Meeking Makes Friends

Harry Meeking won a lot more friends at yesterday's workout. There is not a man on the Coast, many of the fans declare, who plays prettier hockey. His wrist work is great to watch, and his passing well-nigh perfect. When Meeking sends the puck to one of his team mates it lands right on the end of his stick, and it lands there so neatly that his partner has it just where he wants it. He and Oatman, on the right wing, have hit upon a splendid gait. They work together like clockwork, and "Oatman from Meeking," "Meeking from Oatman," will undoubtedly find frequent repetition in the summary of the game.

Defence Is Sound

Ernie Johnson shows he has lost none of his old-time cunning, and Patrick has no need to worry about his defence line, for either Clem Loughlin, Genge or Johnson are thoroughly capable, although Ernie has not had so long to get into shape as the two first-named players.

One thing is certain, that the Christmas holiday makers, many of whom are giving rink parties, will see a great game if Muldoon's men live up to advance reputation.

EDDIE OATMAN,
Captain of the Aristocrats, who is playing right wing this season and is the only right-handed shot on the local line-up.

SOCCER MATCH IS CHRISTMAS FEATURE

Old Country and Native Son Teams Will Meet at Royal Athletic Park at 10:15 This Morning.

Apart from the competitions being held by the Victoria Golf Club, the only sporting event announced for today is the soccer match to be played in the morning, starting at 10:15 between teams representing the Old Country and the Native Sons picked from the players in the local Senior League.

Two strong elevens have been selected, and given fine weather those who make an early trip to the Royal Athletic Park after examining the contributions left at their homes by the old white whiskered gent with the team of reindeer should see an interesting game. The selected teams are as follows:

Native Sons — Shandley, Whyte and Copas; Mesher, Baker and McDougall; McInnes, Peden, James, Allan and Mulcahy.

Old Country—Shrimpton, Chester and Ord; Ackroyd, Roberts and Bowers; Caskie, McKinnon, Southern, Bridges and Sherratt.

Referee—Lock.

CYCLONE TAYLOR IS AGAIN ON THE JOB

Vancouver Millionaires' Veteran Star Still the Main Cog in Frank Patrick's Machine —Easterners Show Style.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—Vancouver puckchasers are setting the pace that kills in their preliminary training start at the Arena this week. A visit to the Arena any afternoon this week between 2 and 3 o'clock will give thirty-third degree fans a chance to glimpse the Millionaires at full strength, limbering up for the opening clash of the season scheduled for next Monday night, when the Victoria Aristocrats with "Moose" Johnson, et al., invade our fair city. With all hands on the job, including "Eagle Eye" Hughie Lehman, boss custodian, and Art Duncan, who turned out yesterday for the first practice, Manager Lloyd Cook is confident that the squad will be going at mid-season form before the end of the week.

"Cye" on Job Again

"Cyclone" Taylor, whom the wise ones had shelved years ago, is the life of the whole party at the local practices. The veteran, who is out to cop his sixth scoring championship, reported in fine condition. Any time you propel a bicycle up hill and down dale for seven months, engage in lawn tennis two or three nights a week, and in addition do the chores around home, you're going to be in pretty fair condition. Well, that's exactly the programme Taylor has been following, and he's in hockey again this season in perfect physical condition, even though the one lone hair adorning his brow is having a hard struggle for existence. Taylor will be a big factor in Vancouver's fight for the championship. He is one of the most dependable players in the game, a thorough gentleman on and off the ice, and popular in every city on the circuit. In practice the popular Vancouver centre is showing all of his old-time speed.

Skinner's Work Pleases

Alf Skinner is going to work in nicely with the Taylor-Roberts combination. He has a pretty style and looks like an effective goal-getter. Roberts is rapidly hitting his stride. He still possesses a wicked shot and keeps Lehman busy stopping 'em. Harris, Cook and Duncan should be in good condition in a few days. They showed a lot of "pep" yesterday. The defence, rated fair by Seattle, looks good enough to represent any old town in hockey. Cook may surprise the Seattle folks this season. And don't forget Art Duncan is starting under more favorable circumstances than a year ago. Seattle may pick 'em now, but Vancouver fans will be content to get results on the ice, where the bludgeon is mightier than the pencil.

The local puckchasers will workout right up until next Sunday, when they will take a twenty-four-hour rest before the game with Victoria. Frank Partick is enthusiastic over the club's chances to capture the title. "We're going to give 'em all a real battle," he remarked last night.

G. W. V. A. Soccer Team

The G. W. V. A. soccer team for their league match on Saturday will be composed of Chaplin, N. Smith, Greig, Ackroyd, Forrest, Robbins, Patterson, Craig, Walters, Redd and Dowell. Reserves, Priest and L. Smith.

THE SQUARED CIRCLE

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Dec. 24.—Ad Wolgast, one time world's champion, lost his colors tonight to Billy Alvares, a Taft boy, after four rounds of good milling. The judges' decision was unanimous. Wolgast did not show his old time form.

PORTLAND, Dec. 24. — Jimmy Darcy, Portland, and Battling Ortega, Oakland, Cal., middleweights, fought ten rounds to a draw here tonight. The fight throughout was a hammer-and-tongs affair.

Freddie Anderson, Vancouver, Wash., lightweight, fought a ten-round draw with Pete Mitchie, Portland.

Neale Zimmerman, a Portland featherweight, won a decision from Pat Williams, Seattle, in six rounds.

Johnny Boscovitch, Portland, welterweight, won a four-round decision from Sailor Hanson, Vallejo, Cal., and Kid Rocco and Leo Ball, Portland, featherweights, fought a four-round draw.

SASKATOON, Dec. 24.—Eddie (K. O.) Fingard, of Winnipeg, badly outpointed Al Ross, of Calgary, challenger for the middleweight championship of Canada, in fourteen of a fifteen-round bout here tonight. Fingard led all the way and except for the ninth round had a wide margin. Ross was in distress half the time, and propped himself on the ropes three times to save a knockout. He fought gamely and made several attempts to retrieve ground.

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 24.—Joe McIvor, welterweight of Fresno, fought a four-round draw with Soldier Day, of Modesto, a middleweight, here tonight.

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 23. — Happy Woods, of Tucson, knocked out Eddie McLarney, of San Diego, in the second round of a scheduled ten-round bout here tonight. They are welterweights.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 24.—Bobby Waugh, of Fort Worth, and Bud Logan, of Chicago, battled ten rounds to a draw here tonight.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—George Shade won the referee's decision over Steve Dalton in a four-round bout here tonight. The men fought at 146 pounds.

SYRACUSE, N.Y., Dec. 24.—Benny Valgar had a slight advantage over Frankie Britt in a ten-round boxing match here tonight.

BOB'S LAST FIGHT

Just Ten Years Since Greatest of Champions Took Count From Third-Rater.

Bill Lang knocked out Bob Fitzsimmons in the twelfth round in Australia ten years ago on Friday, December 26, 1909. This was Ruby Robert's last battle, his defeat by the third-rate fighter, Lang, finally convincing him that he was "all in" as a boxer. Bob was forty-seven when he returned to the land where he first won fame as a pugilist to make his inglorious exit from the game in which he had once been supreme. Prior to that, he had been whipped by Jack Johnson and Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, as well as by Jeffries. Bob fought his first professional ring battle in 1891, in New Zealand, and a few years later went to Australia. He came to America in 1890. He won the world's middleweight title a year later by defeating "Nonpareil" Jack Dempsey, and annexed the heavyweight championship in 1897 by whipping Corbett.

SOCCER TEAMS DRAW IN REPLAYED TIE

LONDON, Dec. 24. — The replayed English cup tie between Gillingham and Swansea resulted in a draw of one goal each after extra time had been played.

EARL BAIRD DRAWS WITH BOBBY HARPER

Main Seattle Boxing Event Followed by Sensational Defeat of Soldier Woods—Mike Pete Landed K. O.

SEATTLE, Dec. 23.—Earl Baird and Bobby Harper boxed a draw in the main event of the Crystal Pool boxing tournament tonight and Joe Bonds won a decision over Steve Reynolds, but fist to the tale of Soldier Woods, the wild man. The rough and ready, wild and woolly battler who had been terrorizing the local welterweights, was dethroned as king of the jungle, and a new cave man, Mike Pete, now wears the crown. The soldier fell ingloriously before the attack of the local shipbuilder, was knocked cold in the first round, the defeat furnishing the surprise of the night.

The Soldier Woods-Mike Pete affair was the sensational bout of the night. Pete won because he beat the soldier at his own game. Mike leaped out of his corner at the bell, and Woods was so taken back by the move that he hadn't recovered up to the last ten seconds of the round, when Pete crashed the soldier flush on the chin with a blow which rocked the Southerner into the land of dreams. It was a clean knockout.

Leo Houck and Young Sam Langford, a pocket edition of the once famous heavyweight, fought a whale of a scrap in the fourth contest, the bout being called a draw.

AMERICAN COLLEGES MAY ADOPT BOXING AS A MINOR SPORT

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—When the National Collegiate Athletic Association holds its annual meeting here December 30, one of the subjects to be discussed will be a proposal to introduce boxing as an intercollegiate minor sport. College physical directors said today that boxing received a "tremendous impetus" during the war and that there is a general demand among students for the adoption of the "manly art."

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—The adoption of boxing as an intercollegiate sport will be urged by University of Pennsylvania athletic authorities at the meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic Association in New York next week. In making this announcement today Major J. M. Pickering, graduate manager of athletics at Pennsylvania, said he favored three-round bouts with two minutes to each round. This, he added, would be long enough for the average college boxer.

Major Pickering said there should be two judges and a referee for these bouts, the right of decision to be reserved for the judges, and in case of a deadlock of opinion, either the referee should decide or, if the bout is unusually close, it should go an extra round.

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STEWART PROPERTIES ATTRACTING ATTENTION

Announcement Made That Belgian Syndicate Will Develop Claims Adjacent to Celebrated Premier Mine.

STEWART, Dec. 23.—The largest bond in the Salmon River section of Northern British Columbia has just been announced. The groups which have been taken over by W. A. Mellochie, M.E. for the Algonquin syndicate of Belgium are the Northern Light, comprising eight claims, owned by Chas. and Wm. Bunting, adjoining the Premier on the north and west; the Woodbine group of two claims and fraction owned by Dave O'Leary and Charles Lalrd; the Cobalt group of three claims, owned by John Hovland.

On the Northern Light, there are nine leads, six of which have been opened up showing both characters of ore carried by the Premier. The Woodbine adjoins the Northern Light on the southwest and has a showing of concentrating ore 100 feet wide which has been opened for a width of 70 feet. The Cobalt group adjoins the Northern Light on the northeast and has not much work done.

Mr. Mellochie has let diamond drill contract to Lynch Bros., of Seattle, who will put three drills on the ground next Spring.

Practically the full face of the Mineral Hill drift is now assaying $100 in gold as well as high in silver values.

The vein in the New Alaska group, on the Alaska side of the Salmon River section, is 27 feet wide where prospected and looks excellent according to word which has just come from the camp where a tunnel is being driven under contract.

Among the new properties expected to be in operation in the Spring is the President group, just south of the New Alaska, which has been taken over by Vancouver interests. On this ground a well-defined vein is exposed, and, by reason of its situation right on the wagon road, it offers easy transportation, which is a matter to be considered in this part of the country. W. J. van Houten, S. J. O'Brien and associates are the Vancouver men who have taken over this ground.

Col. Whitehead Changes Plea

QUEBEC, Dec. 24.—Col. Whitehead, chief of the Dominion police in Quebec, who pleaded guilty last week to the charge of embezzling a sum of $300, changed his plea to that of not guilty, and also denied his guilt of other charges made against him. He has been remanded on bail pending the inquiry into his case, which will begin next week.

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MANITOBA TO FLOAT FOUR-MILLION LOAN

WINNIPEG, Dec. 24.—Four million dollars worth of five-year bonds will be issued by the Manitoba Government early in January, Hon. Edward Brown, provincial treasurer, announced today. This issue will partly cover present liability of the provincial government in bonds falling due at New York, on February 28, 1920. These will amount to $6,500,000, the main portion of which was issued by the former government, Mr. Brown explained. The new bonds will bear six per cent, will be payable half-yearly at points in the United States and Canada. Tenders are being advertised for.

It is understood that the province is floating the new bonds on the Canadian market to counteract the present high rate of exchange.

RAILWAYS RESTORE SERVICE OF TRAINS

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—Following the cessation of the coal strike in the United States and the likelihood that within a short time the ordinary supply of soft coal would be sent to Canada, the Canadian Pacific Railway and Grand Trunk Railway have made arrangements for the restoration of a number of trains.

It was stated at the headquarters of the C.P.R. yesterday that while a number of local trains in various districts were to be restored, the trans-Canada Limited would not be resumed until May 2, but would be run as a local train between Montreal and Ottawa until May 2, when the full service would be resumed. This is the main train whose cancellation will remain in effect.

Londoner's Advantage

Shaken to its foundations by four years of war though it has been, London has managed to keep its prices lower, by a good 25 per cent. than comparatively unscathed New York. Prices run somewhat higher in New York, it is true, than in the rest of the country, but probably no more so, relatively, than London prices exceed those of England in general. It may be a fair deduction that England as a whole, despite its exhaustion by bearing the brunt of a war of which the United States experienced only the climax, permits its citizens to live for one-fourth less than does America. Rents are lower in London. So are clothes. So are shoes. So are meals and shaves and hotels and tips. So are collars and socks and gloves.

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From the tombs of the ancient dead,
You have wandered into this sordid era,
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With arms outstretched to meet you,
I waited for countless years,
And I knew not how I should greet you,
When you came! With passion—or tears.
Out of the heart of Egypt,
You came, but, from me, you passed,
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PATTERSON HAS LAUGH AT YANKEE SCRIBES

Tells of Some Unreported Tennis Matches in America—Has Word of Praise for Champion Johnston.

Rather a startling statement by Gerald Patterson, the young Australian lawn tennis star, came to hand recently in an article by Austral in The Sydney Referee. When Patterson returned home he was honored at a dinner. Austral says:

"After the formal speeches, and after the letters had been read, Captain Patterson gave some more details of his trip to America, from which we learn for the first time of some of the matches that were played after the championships were finished. One of these was between Brookes and W. M. Johnston. 'You did not hear of that, I am sure,' said Patterson, with a smile. 'Why?' I asked. 'Oh, Mr. Brookes won that, 6-4, 7-5, so you could be sure the American papers would not have that cabled over.'

"'No,' said Horace Rice, with a laugh. 'Do you know, Gerald, we played one match in America in 1918 and won every set but one. Next day the local paper came out with a big headline, "Americans Put It All Over the Australians," and the only set they reported was the single one their men had won, although we had beaten them in the others to about 6-2 every time.'"

Patterson had this to say about America's leading players:

"Tilden was in exceptional form for him when he met Brookes. He would never play like that again, and, in my opinion, if Mr. Brookes had beaten Tilden he would have won the championship itself. Tilden had no chance with Johnston. He is a bundle of nerves. I met him after the championship and managed to beat him. He varies very greatly and has fits of great brilliancy which don't often last long.

"Johnston is a splendid driver. He stands right behind the base line to take the service, and from there hits so hard that it is difficult to volley his returns of the service. He is not quite so strong on his backhand, but there is not much difference. He is the best volleyer I have ever seen. But all the same he can be beaten."

AMERICAN CREWS ARE PREPARING FOR HENLEY

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Union Boat Club of Boston intends to send an eight-oared crew to the Henley regatta next July for another trial at the Grand Challenge cup. This was made known by an oarsman who has returned from Boston.

It appears that the Unions have already made arrangements for the crew and the entry will be certified and forwarded to the Henley stewards at the proper time. If the Unions persist in their efforts, it would not be surprising if Harvard University made another trial to have her name engraved on the famous rowing trophy.

BRITISH INVASION MAY CAUSE CHANGE IN GOLF TOURNAMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The expected invasion of the United States by British golfers next Summer may cause the United States Golf Association to move the national open championship further down on the list than the position occupied last Spring. Local golfers are interested in the report that Vardon, Taylor, Mitchell, Braid and other British experts will come to America.

BANFF WILL STAGE CHAMPIONSHIP GALA

CALGARY, Dec. 24.—The Alberta branch of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada has sanctioned the holding of the Alberta 1920 swimming championships at Banff in February next at the Banff Winter Carnival. All competitors must hold amateur cards for 1920. Entries should be sent to Mr. B. W. Collison, of Banff, governor A. A. A. U., who has charge of the arrangements. New amateur cards can be obtained either from Frank H. McPherson, at Edmonton, or E. D. Battrum, at Calgary.

ITALIANS WANT WALK IN OLYMPIC GAMES

ROME, Dec. 24.—The Italian Olympic games executive committee is rapidly rounding out its programme for competition in the Olympic games to be held at Antwerp, Belgium, next Summer.

Several suggested changes in the events have been telegraphed to the Belgian Olympic committee in charge of the international meet. It is proposed that the games programme include a 20-kilometre walk, and that the cross-country run be shortened from ten to eight miles, or its equivalent in metric measurements.

"BABE" RUTH ASKS FOR BIGGER SALARY

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Definite announcement that "Babe" Ruth had returned his contract to the Boston American League Club and had demanded a salary of $20,000 was made tonight by John Igoe, Ruths business manager.

LEWIS BEAT OLIN

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. — "Strangler" Lewis defeated John Olin in a wrestling match here tonight, winning two falls out of three.

The Winning Ticket

The number of the winning ticket in the raffle for gramophone and records held at the Vimy Bowling Alley was 258.

Turf Veteran Dead

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Lee Jerome (Cy) Slocum, 63, veteran turfman and horse owner, died last night of heart disease. He was born at Saratoga, N.Y.

Re-elect Skipper

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 24.—Members of the naval football team have selected Edward C. Ewen, captain of the 1919 eleven, to lead them another year.

WILL SOON REPORT ON TURF BETTING

Dr. Rutherford Will Hold One More Hearing in Ottawa Before Delivering Results of Investigation.

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The inquiry into race track betting, which is being conducted by Dr. J. G. Rutherford, of the Railway Board, will be concluded early in the New Year, when Dr. Rutherford will make his report in time for its presentation to Parliament. There will be one more hearing before the taking of evidence closes. It will be held in Ottawa in the early part of January. The inquiry, which was commenced during the Autumn on this, has been delayed because Dr. Rutherford had to go West in his capacity of commissioner of the Railway Board.

STANFORD PLAYERS REACH VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 23.—Stanford University rugby players, accompanied by three University of California stars, coach Jim Wylie and Manager H. W. Maloney, arrived in the city tonight and immediately repaired to their hotel to rest after their trip from San Francisco. They will work out in the horse show building tomorrow morning in preparation for the series with the local "rep" and university teams, the first of which will be staged on Christmas Day at Brockton Point.

Probably no likelier looking aggregation of football players has visited the city than the squad that filed off the Seattle boat tonight. Every man is reported to be in tip-top shape and ready to hop into the three-game series within the next 24 hours.

ONTARIO HOCKEY

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—For twenty minutes here last night, Granites, using combination plays, while Dentals used none, gave the Sportsmen's Patriotic Association trophy holders a strong argument, but they failed in the last two periods, and Dentals won by 7 to 2. By this victory Dentals retain the trophy for another year.

WOODSTOCK, Dec. 24. — The Kitchener O.H.A. intermediates last night defeated Woodstock intermediates in an exhibition hockey game, 7-3. The five Snarr brothers were in the lineup of the Kitchener team.

HAMILTON, Dec. 24.—With a final score of 11 to 6, the Allan Cup holders took McGill into camp last night. Neither team played championship hockey, and both found it necessary to use their substitutes.

Champs Finish Practice

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—Hard skating and fast puck work was the order of the day when the Seattle Metropolitans, the champion team of the Pacific Coast Hockey Association, put in their last practice today before leaving for Victoria to open the 1919-20 season tomorrow night.

CHRISTMAS CLUBS DISTRIBUTE MILLIONS

Over Three Thousand Banks in United States Distribute $100,000,000 in Popular Savings Movement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—During the past week some 3,000,000 persons throughout the United States will receive approximately $100,000,000 in the distribution of Christmas Club funds. More than 3,000 banks have been conducting Christmas Clubs during the year, and after fifty weeks of steady payment the members will receive what they have paid in, plus the interest which the banks give them for the use of the money.

In this State the amount to be paid back will be in the neighborhood of $12,000,000. In New Jersey about $7,000,000 will be disbursed. Payments in this city will aggregate about $600,000, and Long Island subscribers will receive $350,000. Westchester County will receive about $100,000 more than will be paid in the city. Payments in the New Jersey counties of Union, Hudson, Essex and Bergen will total something like $3,500,000.

Christmas Clubs have been in existence for more than a decade. At first they were few in number, but the idea caught on and spread rapidly. In 1916, before the United States entered the war, there were approximately 3,500 banks handling Christmas Clubs. They disbursed an amount slightly exceeding the sum which will be distributed this year.

In 1917 and last year a good part of the Christmas Club machinery was turned over to the Government to assist in the floating of Liberty bonds. Something more than $700,000,000 of Liberty bonds were sold on the Christmas Club installment plan. In this city alone, a syndicate of banks underwrote $100,000,000 of a single issue of Liberties, which were disposed of in this way.

Now that the war is over, the Christmas Club is coming back to its own. Many bankers believe it will expand from the point where it left off in 1917. Its first post-war year, judged by the number of subscribers, the number of banks handling it and the amount of money to be paid out, has produced a record highly gratifying to those who have been urging thrift and saving.

MYSTERY IN MURDER OF MILLIONAIRE'S SON

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., Dec. 24. —With four bullet wounds in the back and the head badly battered, the body of C. Stanley Brown, son of the late John H. Brown, millionaire Detroit cigarman, was found today in his automobile on a country road leading to the city.

A ring set with a 2½ carat diamond, $30,000 worth of securities and considerable currency in his clothing was undisturbed.

It is believed he was ambushed some time during the night, but no motive for the crime has been advanced.

NEW FUEL SOURCES NEEDED IN CANADA

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—A special committee to investigate the possibilities of developing sufficient fuel in Canada to meet the needs of Canadian industry has been appointed by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

This committee will make a study of all possible sources from which the supply of various kinds of fuel can be increased. It is felt by the association that the recent coal strike in the United States revealed the weakness of being dependent to a great extent upon sources of fuel which are located outside of Canada.

"SPANISH PRISONER" HAS REAPPEARED

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The well-known "Spanish prisoner" fraud is again being attempted in Canada, according to a warning issued by the Postoffice Department, which reads as follows:

"Circular letters relating to the widely known 'Spanish prisoner fraud' have recently been observed in unusually large numbers in the Canadian mails. This fraud has received so much publicity through the press in the past that it is hardly probable that many people in Canada are now deceived by it, but in view of the activity which the scheme is at present manifesting, it is considered desirable again to place the public on their guard against it."

Australian's Gift

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Hugh R. Denison, managing director of the Sydney, Australia, Sun, has given through the Duke of Connaught £55,000 sterling to the Jubilee building fund of the Royal Colonial Institute.

AMATEURS ENTERTAIN PEOPLE OF COWICHAN

Victoria Company, With Assistance of Duncan Lady, Presented "Our Boys" at Opera House—Dance After.

DUNCAN, Dec. 23.—Last evening a full house greeted the presentation of "Our Boys," which was staged in the Opera House here by Messrs. S. T. Hankey and Richard Day, of Victoria, and their talented company, and it was apparent throughout that they gave complete satisfaction and unlimited enjoyment to the throng, for the applause was of a most hearty nature. Duncan and Cowichan may justly feel proud when they can claim Miss Bobbie Stevens, for in her appearance in the play last evening, taking the part of a "slavey," she added further laurels. She was not seen till the third act, but the clever manner in which she carried out her role added much vim to the proceedings. With hair screwed back and in unbecoming attire, she portrayed the part in such a way that she soon won the hearts of all the audience.

All the parts in the play were well taken. Mr. T. Edward Clark took the role of "Sir Geoffrey Champneys," a county magnate of the aristocracy, while Mrs. Richard Day appeared as his son "Talbot," who did not aspire to come up to the standard of his father's expectations. The part of "Perkyn Middlewick," of Devonshire House, a retired buttermen who had acquired wealth, but lacked education and polish, was taken by Mr. R. T. Ward, while the character of his son Charles was taken by Mr. S. T. Hankey, who had the eloquence and aspirations to place him in the first ranks of society. Miss Ora Pearson, as "Violet Melrose," an heiress, and Miss Dora Pease as "Mary Melrose," the poor cousin, developed the romance to the scene. Mrs. Horace Hamlet played the role of "Clarissa Champneys," "Sir Geoffrey's" sister, while Mr. Godfrey Stevens took the part of "Kempster," Sir Geoffrey's manservant, and Mr. G. W. Palmer that of "Pondles," Middlewick's butler, with Miss Bobbie Stevens as Belinda, the lodging house slavey.

The play is in three acts, the first two scenes being in the drawing-room, while the third scene is enacted in the lodging house. There is a considerable current of humor running throughout.

On conclusion of the play a most enjoyable dance followed, Mrs. Watt's orchestra supplying the music.

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CHRISTMAS BUYING BRISK IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—New York's last day of Christmas shopping started today with a rush that promised to exceed even the record-breaking business of yesterday. Never before in the history of the city has there been such widely distributed prosperity. The stores along Fifth Avenue and other streets, where more expensive goods were on sale, were jammed with eager shoppers as early as were the shops in humbler sections.

Christmas bonuses distributed by firms in the financial district were estimated today to aggregate $30,000,000. Employees of corporations, banks and brokerage firms in many cases received double the bonuses of last year. The gifts vary from 15 to 100 per cent of the recipient's salary. Many corporations, banks and firms distribute bonuses on January 1 instead of Christmas, and these were not included in today's estimates.

No Arms for Mexico

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Revocation, effective January 1, of all licenses issued by the War Trade Board prior to last September 30 for the exportation of arms or munitions of war to Mexico, was announced today by the State Department.

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At the Playhouses

SAN CARLO CO. HAS FINE ORCHESTRA

Season of Grand Opera at the Royal Victoria Will Feature Large Aggregation of Expert Musicians.

Experienced orchestral players these days are anything but a drug on the market, stated a representative of the San Carlo Grand Opera Company which comes to Victoria for a two-day engagement on Monday, January 5th. The extraordinary demands made upon the musicians' forces by the big moving-picture houses is mainly responsible for the scarcity. During the war there were many fine instrumentalists drafted by the government to serve in the military bands, at the many Liberty theatres and cantonments, and this caused a stringency in the forces of many big musical productions and in the Grand Opera organizations. It was supposed that, at the close of the war, the release of these players would relieve the shortage, but such has not been the case. Not only are orchestra players about the scarcest commodity in the musical market, but their salaries have mounted to surprising figures. The demand for them in New York alone has increased their income about fifty per cent as compared to three or four years back, and even then it is difficult to secure the musicians for traveling purposes because of the unusual cost of hotel life which touring involves.

The orchestra of the San Carlo Grand Opera Company, shortly to be heard here, is said to be the finest that managerial foresight and present day expense can assemble. Of unusual numerical strength, its members are all seasoned, experienced artists who have devoted their careers to grand opera work, both in Europe and this country. This is one of the splendid features of the organization, and considering the difficulties experienced by other touring bodies, presents a happy condition, because in this department of a big singing body is found the artistic support so necessary for principals and chorus in successful reproduction of the masterworks. The orchestra is a feature of the highest importance, and there are thousands of opera patrons who are quite as interested in this feature of a performance as they are in the singers on the stage. The San Carlo orchestra is under the direction of Signor Gaetano Merola, who formerly was chief maestro at the London (Hammerstein's) Opera House, London, England, and is a splendid body of brilliant executants, many of whom appeared under Merola's baton abroad.

DOMINION THEATRE In "The Market of Souls," a new Paramount-Artcraft picture, which will come to the Dominion Theatre next week, Dorothy Dalton, the popular star, is said to have a dramatic vehicle of the first rank. Thomas H. Ince supervised the screening of the story, which relates the adventures of Helen Armes, a country trained nurse, who comes to New York to follow her profession. There in the fast set in which her friends, the Howells, are leading lights, she meets men of both the vicious and manly type.

Two brothers, Lyle and Temple Bane, fall in love with her. Lyle is a rounder and attempts to take liberties with Helen. He is foiled by Temple, who is blinded in a tussle with his brother. Helen helps to nurse back his sight again, and a romance is budding, when Lyle revenges himself by telling his brother lies about the girl. Only after the evil brother has died a soldier's death in France does the truth come out and Helen and Temple are made happy.

"The Market of Souls" is from a story by John Lynch and was picturized by C. Gardner Sullivan. Joseph DeGrasse was the director. Miss Dalton is supported by a notable cast, including H. E. Herbert, Philo McCullough, Dorcas Mathews and Donald McDonald.

COLUMBIA THEATRE "The Birth of a Nation," now showing at the Columbia Theatre, covers a wide range of American history, and touched only on the highest points of interest in the great events that led up to and terminated the Civil War. You see the war start after being shown the causes which precipitated it. You see the great generals of the contending sections playing their desperate games of human pawns moved into the fields of slaughter. Then comes the agreement for peace and Lincoln sets about his superhuman task of healing the wounds by the application of that great love which made him the towering figure of his age. A fanatic's bullet stills the heart which beat so evenly for all humanity. The South is thrown back into a worse fate than war. Their lands are overrun by a hungry horde of vengeful politicians and grafters. The poor negro is cajoled into a false understanding of liberty and in his ignorance is led into excesses by these scalawags of fortune. Out of it comes the ghostly garbed crusaders of a terrible era to once more set things aright and return the lands and liberties to their rightful owners, and over the land's misery sounds the chorus of brotherly love in an allegorical dream which visions the reunion of the divided sections and the welding of that national spirit which has made the United States so great after its baptism in its own blood.

VARIETY THEATRE Alice Joyce rises to new and greater dramatic heights in "The Third Degree," Vitagraph's screen version of the famous Charles Klein stage success of the same name, which is now showing at the Variety Theatre. The play, when first produced, lead swiftly to sweeping reforms in the police system of extorting confessions by the "third degree" torture, without regard to the guilt or innocence of the prisoner. Tom Terriss directed the picture.

ROYAL VICTORIA The phantom ship of "The Flying Dutchman" is presented with perfect illusion for the first time on stage or screen in "Queen of the Sea" at the Royal Victoria Theatre again today. This is only one of the numerous wonderful achievements in aquatic photography in the William Fox submarine romance, with Annette Kellerman, the swimming star, now running at the Royal Victoria Theatre. As a sensational climax Miss Kellerman makes a record dive of 85 feet from a wire into the boiling surf. One can hardly believe without seeing that she could do it without breaking her neck. "Queen of the Sea" is a water-fairy story which delights; so do not miss it.

DOMINION THEATRE Buster Keaton is back. This statement will mean much to those who recall his wonderful comedy stunts in Paramount-Arbuckle comedies before he went to France to fight. The inimitable Buster makes his reappearance with the heavyweight star in "Back Stage," which is at the Dominion this week. In this screaming burlesque "Fatty" plays the role of the stage carpenter in a small town "opry house." Mollie Malone is the heroine, and Al St. John the villain.

Clever twists and surprises are a feature of "The Third Kiss," the latest Paramount-Artcraft photoplay starring Vivian Martin, which is also shown at the Dominion Theatre this week. To reveal what these unexpected developments are would spoil half the pleasure for the multitude of folks who are sure to witness the picture. Suffice it to say that Miss Martin, pretty as she is in her factory girl costume, is not quite what she seems.

AMUSEMENTS TODAY

The Stage

Pantages—Vaudeville.

The Screen

Royal Victoria—Annette Kellerman.

Variety—"The Third Degree."

Dominion — Fatty Arbuckle in "Back Stage."

Columbia—"The Birth of a Nation."

Romano—Beatrice Michelena in "Just Squaw," and Ruth Roland in "The Tiger's Trail."

Rex Theatre, Head Street—"The Light Within."

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"THE TIGER'S TRAIL" COMES TO ROMANO

Great Pathe Serial Will Be the Attraction Today and For the Balance of This Week.

Milk baths used to be popular among certain stage celebrities, and, according to press agents, champagne is often used for the purpose by footlight beauties, but up to the present Ruth Roland, star of the Pathe serial, "The Tiger's Trail," is the only actress on record who has been even threatened with a bath in crude oil.

In "The Tiger's Trail" Miss Roland is required to allow herself to be placed in an oil tank car in order to follow her enemies. That in itself doesn't sound exceptionally dangerous, although it has its drawbacks, but an absent-minded railroad man almost turned the incident into something serious.

Miss Roland was dropped into the tank car as the end of the action was filmed, and while the director was finishing up and devoting his attention in another direction, a yard engine was coupled onto the car and it was pulled away towards a stationary oil tank from which other cars were being filled.

"Hey, where you going with that car?" shouted the director, as he turned back to where he had left Miss Roland.

"Goin' to fill it," answered a brakeman who was hanging to a handrail. "Got any obection?"

"You bet I've got some objections," exploded the director. "You've got my star in that car. Let her out and you can fill it with any darned thing you like."

The car was stopped and Miss Roland was released. She didn't even know of the oleaginous fate that had awaited her. "The Tiger's Trail" is being shown at the Romano Theatre.

"PAN" BILL OFFERS FINE ENTERTAINMENT

Holiday Programme Brimful of Entertainment — Eddie Foy and Family as Chief Funsters Score Big Hit.

Comedy reigns supreme at the Pantages this week and makes the current offering one of the most pleasing holiday attractions that patrons of the popular vaudeville house could wish for. There are six acts of the most entertaining kind, and the bill is rounded out by an especially attractive programme by Tony Jensen's orchestra, and the concluding and most thrilling episode of "The Carter Case," which for the past fifteen weeks has been shown at the "Pan."

Eddie Foy's children may have inherited their talent from their father, but anyone who hears them at the Pantages this week will be willing to bet that their voices were a gift from some other source, for they can sing, all six of them, and dance, as well as imitate very cleverly their Pa Foy. This younger Foy tribe is a talented group of boys and girls, and father has little to do but stand around and beam with pride at their cleverness. In "Slumwhere" the Foys provide a lively spot on the bill and are scoring a hit with audiences this week.

As for the remainder of the bill, it is certainly above the average and is brimful of fun. One of the finest athletic spectacles that Pantages patrons have seen for a long time is offered by the Five Partrowas—three men and two women—who give an exhibition of hand-balancing and posing of superior excellence.

Bozo Archer's silent comedy in "The New Janitor," in which he is assisted by Blanche Belford, is one of the big laughs of the bill, and Hyman Meyer's monologue and piano wit is another popular hit.

George and May LeFevre present an attractive dance offering and Ray Lawrence, programmed as "Just an American Girl," offered a couple of singing numbers and recitations, delivering a big surprise at the conclusion of his clever impersonations.

Vernon Creamery's Work

VERNON, B.C., Dec. 24. — Since the Vernon creamery started operations last April a total of 47,694 pounds of butter has been manufactured. The average price paid for butter fat has been about sixty cents per pound, and since starting $23,804 has been paid out to farmers. Over half of the supply of cream comes from the Lumby district, about fifteen miles from Vernon, and it is proposed to start a receiving station there at an early date.

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—YOU DOUBT HER
—YOU CONDEMN HER
—YOU PITY HER

BUT YOU'LL ADMIT SHE'S WONDERFUL

Your heart will go out to Dorothy Dalton in the tense, trying moments of this great screen story.

Your eyes will glow in fascination at the sensational picture of a New Year's revel in a New York palace of joy.

Hello, Everybody!

A Merry Christmas

And Don't Forget to See

CHARLIE CHAPLIN
in "The Cure"
AND
ALICE JOYCE
in "The Third Degree"

VARIETY

ROMANO

Today, Friday and Saturday

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—IN—

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—ALSO—

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—IN—

"The Tiger's Trail"

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G.W.V.A. in Politics

SYDNEY, N. S., Dec. 24.—The Glace Bay branch of the Great War Veterans' Association has voted in favor of making the association a political organisation and of including in the membership all ex-soldiers, without regard to length of service.

Persian Minister

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Mirza Abdul Ali Khan, Persian Minister to the United States, has advised the State Department that he is leaving for Europe on leave of absence. In his absence the affairs of the legation will be in charge of the secretary of the legation.

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BUNNY SHOW WILL BE ATTRACTIVE DISPLAY

Rabbits and Hares, Canadian and Alien, to Be Seen at First Annual Show of Rabbit Breeders' Association.

Hares and rabbits, from the beautiful black Siberian hare, noted for its splendid fur, to the homely and common or garden variety of "Bunny," commended for its meat—will be on show next Friday at 10 o'clock at the Market Building.

The auspicious occasion will be the first annual show of the Victoria and District Rabbit Breeders' Association, and the energetic efforts of the committee in charge of the exhibition have secured the record entry of over 200 hares and rabbits. Canadian species, American breeds, even to Polish and other alien varieties, will be exhibited, and the services of one of the foremost experts on rabbits have been secured in the person of Mr. John Needham, of Seattle, who will act as judge. Mr. Needham is said to be one of the most discerning men on the entire Coast when it comes to hares and rabbits, and was for a long time judge of these animals at the Crystal Palace, London. Mayor Porter has given his permission for the balcony of the Market Building to be used, and the secretary of the Poultry Association has lent the necessary coops for the occasion.

The entries, which are extremely numerous and generally on a high plane, include a large proportion of the big Flemish Giants, the size and condition of which is winning great encomiums from rabbit fanciers. The Black Siberian hare, famous for its fur, is also well represented, and the exhibition of cured pelts in this connection will be of interest to all ladies. Pelts from the fur bearing hares and rabbits will be exhibited in a stall by themselves and make a very extensive array. The popular New Zealand Red is there in numbers, as also the Belgian hare and Polish rabbit, while one of the features of the exhibit will be the class of beautiful Himalayans, a fur bearing animal of exceedingly pretty appearance, white with black ears.

All the live entries are edible, and this fact is emphasized by the exhibition of cooked products from the rabbit, including potted rabbit meats and pies.

All types of hares and rabbits raised locally for fur or meat will be on exhibit and the first annual show of the Victoria and District Rabbit Breeders' Association promises to be of absorbing interest to all people. The stall of pelts, cured from the fur bearing animals is sure to prove an attractive feature with the ladies, though it may lead to the disturbing thought that the latest "squirrel" coat did not originate with the squirrel. The fur of the rabbit is in many cases extremely beautifully marked and quite suitable for purposes of personal adornment.

The show will be officially opened at 10 o'clock on Friday in the balcony of the Market Building, and a small admission fee to be charged to defray the expenses of importing the judge, etc.

EGYPTIAN AGITATORS ARE QUIETING DOWN

CAIRO, Saturday, Dec. 20.—The situation here is generally improved, following the recent disturbances, in which several persons were killed and others injured. Demonstrations are ceasing and the students who were accused of fomenting much of the trouble are returning to the schools.

CAIRO, Dec. 18.—Owners and editors of newspapers today were given official warning to refrain from publishing matter likely to excite the public. Recent disorders and attempts at assassination were largely attributable, the warning stated, to certain newspapers.

Announcement is made that in future a newspaper is liable to suspension under martial law if it prints political reports addressed to the authorities or to the British mission without the consent of the censor, calculated to encourage public servants to strike for political reasons, reports or aspersions calculated to inflame the populace against the British or Egyptian Governments.

Spokane Soldier Decorated

SPOKANE, Dec. 24. — William Yell, confined to his home here as the result of gas poisoning in the second battle of Ypres, in which he served with a Canadian regiment, will be presented tomorrow with three service decorations by a detachment of the local British war veterans. Ribbons for the 1915 star, the British general service medal and the victory medal have been mounted on a bar, which will be given him Christmas Day.

Where are you going Xmas? Why not have a party at "The Piccadilly"?

HAPPY COMBINATION RECALLS LOST JOYS

"Extra Dry" Will Be in Evidence as Orpheum Feature With Plot Woven Round Finding of Bottle.

When the announcement is made that William B. Friedlander will present music lyrics and staging, be it whatsoever kind of a musical show, that announcement is its own passport into the affections of vaudeville patrons. Coming tomorrow, Saturday matinee and night at the Royal Victoria Theatre will be "Extra Dry," the latest musical comedy production. It has fun, girls, songs, dances and pictures. Then, too, there is a plot woven around the finding of a bottle by a museum watchman. The story is told in sparkling dialogue with any number of really humorous complications. The act takes up fifty-five joyous, riotous moments.

Felix Barnard and Jack Duffy, who dissolved as team when the war came on, have been recreated. Bernard formed association with Duffy when the war closed and staged a musical skit. The present partnership is a happy one and results in their act of much fun and considerable music.

Lawrence Grattan, who writes for Eva Taylor, has provided that charming woman with a new comedy playlet which she will offer to patrons of the Royal Victoria next week. The newest of these plays is called "Virginia Rye" and is described as a humorous satire. A young widow, a head of a moving picture concern, a traveling man and a war veteran are scrambled to produce this farce. There are five in the cast.

Comes Pietro, the piano-accordeonist. In his hands this instrument becomes a voice alive with joy, moods, lights, shades and brightness of journeying life. Pietro with any other instrument would be hailed as a master. With a piano-accordeon he is in a class all by himself.

Sensational juggling will be on this bill in an act offered by the Four Readings. They are considered to excel in several of the feats they perform. Their equilibristic feats, somersaults and flying leaps are some of their special features. Jugglers of human beings, and not of things inanimate.

A novelty act which would lose weight in the surprises presented is that which will be found on the bill in the capable hands of Elfreda Wynn and Company. This act promises to be something new and out of the ordinary.

A careful arrangement of songs and dances will be given by the Lachmann Sisters, two of the foremost entertainers in the two-a-day. Dancers and singers are decidedly common, but a capable combination of both is a rare thing. Their divertisement is delightfully presented and handsomely costumed.

The usual pictures and orchestral programme will give zest to the bill and altogether a merited programme of entertainment is promised to Royal Victoria Theatre goers during the New Year holidays.

ALLEGED LEADERS OF I.W.W. INDICTED

TACOMA, Dec. 24.—Three alleged leaders of the I.W.W. here were indicted today by the federal grand jury and arraigned in the federal Court, charged with violation of the United States sedition law. Bail for each man was set at $5,000.

Those arraigned were W. Randall, said to be secretary of the Tacoma I.W.W. organization; R. E. Eddy, charged with being a dealer in and distributor of radical literature, and A. Gross, alleged to be a local I.W.W. organizer.

Each man was indicted on four counts. A large amount of radical literature, said to have been found in the possession of the three men, was introduced in court as the basis of the Government's case.

MAJOR-GENERAL WOOD WILL BE CANDIDATE

MITCHELL, S.D., Dec. 24.—Word was received at Republican district headquarters here today that Major-General Leonard Wood, indorsed for President by the Republican state convention at Pierre December 2, will file a formal announcement of his candidacy with the Secretary of State before January.

TIDES AT VICTORIA

DECEMBER, 1919

Day	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.
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7	0:53	6.5	2:01	8.1	14:00	9.7	22:51	6.7
8	0:10	6.5	2:51	8.1	14:56	9.7	23:46	6.7
9	1:00	6.5	19:57	8.2	15:50	9.9	23:51	3.4
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11	1:56	6.5	3:13	8.4	17:39	10.3	0:36	6.3
12	0:06	3.3	19:13	8.7	18:32	10.5	1:26	6.3
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25	7:00	6.6	0:33	8.8	12:33	9.2	21:07	1.5
26	7:54	6.6	1:23	8.8	13:27	9.2	21:57	1.5
27	8:04	6.6	19:46	8.8	14:19	9.2	22:46	1.5
28	8:54	6.6	3:06	8.8	15:09	9.2	23:34	1.5
29	9:44	6.6	3:53	8.8	15:57	9.2		
30	7:00	6.6	19:37	8.8	16:43	9.2	0:21	1.5
31	7:51	6.6	5:00	8.8	17:27	9.2	1:07	1.5
1	8:40	6.6	5:21	8.8	18:10	9.2	1:52	1.5
2	9:30	6.6	5:42	8.8	18:53	9.2	2:37	1.5
3	10:20	6.6	6:03	8.8	19:36	9.2	3:22	1.5
4	11:04	6.6	6:24	8.8	20:19	9.2	4:06	1.5
5	11:54	6.6	6:45	8.8	21:02	9.2	4:50	1.5
6	12:44	6.6	7:06	8.8	21:45	9.2	5:34	1.5
7	13:34	6.6	7:27	8.8	22:28	9.2	6:18	1.5
8	14:24	6.6	7:48	8.8	23:11	9.2	7:02	1.5
9	15:14	6.6	8:09	8.8	23:54	9.2	7:46	1.5
10	16:04	6.6	8:30	8.8			8:30	1.5
11	16:54	6.6	8:51	8.8	0:37	9.2	9:14	1.5

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

MARRIAGES

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PURSER-JEUNE—At Seattle, Washington, on December 23rd, Victor M. Purser, third son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Purser, of 611 Heaton Avenue, and Laurel Elsie, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Jeune, of Saanichton, were united in marriage by the Rev. Dr. James E. Crowther, at First Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Purser will reside in Portland, Oregon.

DEATHS

GRAHAME—At Victoria, B.C., on the 24th December, 1919, Mary Graham, widow of the late James Allan Grahame, chief commissioner of the Hon. Hudson's Bay Co., the fifth daughter of the late the Hon. John Work, chief factor in the same company, in her eighty-third year. The funeral will take place from the B.C. Funeral Chapel, 734 Broughton Street, on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 11 a.m., thence to Ross Bay Cemetery.

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SPENCER—On the 22nd inst., at his home, Saanichton, Samuel Spencer, aged 65 years. Born in Rochdale, England, and a resident of this district for the past ten years, formerly a resident of Port Arthur, Ontario. The deceased was the beloved husband of Mrs. Mary Spencer, and is survived by besides his widow, four sons and one daughter.

The funeral will take place on Friday, 26th inst., the cortege leaving the Sands Funeral Chapel at 1:35 o'clock, and at 2:30 o'clock service will be conducted at St. Stephen's Church, Saanichton, by the Rev. Baston, interment in St. Stephen's Cemetery.

SKINNER—On the 24th inst., at her home, 631 Langford Street, Margaret Skinner, aged 68 years; born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and a resident of this city for the past 31 years. Deceased leaves to mourn her loss two sons, George W. and Frank T. Skinner, and two daughters, Mrs. E. Geiger and Miss Amy Skinner, all residing in this city.

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ATTENTION!—We pay best prices for second-hand clothes, gold, silver, platinum, diamonds, jewelry, false teeth, rifles, shotguns, musical instruments, tools of any description, trunks, bags, suitcases, furniture, etc. Business strictly confidential. 573 Johnson Street. Phone 1747.

A BUMPING price is what we pay for any kind of cast-off clothing. Call anywhere any time. Phone 3316.

A BABY buggy, range, dressers, bedstcads, also other furniture for a rooming house, medium closet. Apply care of Phone 6206R after 12 noon. Please ask for Mrs. Wright.

ATTENTION! — Mrs. Hunt, wardrobe dealer, of Winnipeg and Calgary, is open to buy and sell high-class ladies' gents' and children's clothing, evening and party dresses; special offers for gentlemen's clothes. We only spot cash to any amount. Business done strictly private. Mrs. Hunt will call herself to any address, or call at 913 Johnson Street; second house up from Blanchard. Phone 4021.

CORRUGATED Iron Wanted—Will buy from 50,000 to 100,000 square feet, new, second-hand or painted; state gauge, length and price. Box 206, Rossland, B.C.

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WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS 24

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WANTED—Edison diamond disc or instrument of any good make, moderate price, good condition. Box 7, Colonist.

WANTED—Good second-hand cook stoves; highest prices paid. Will buy good clean furniture. Kerr's, 1236 Government St.

WANTED—Ring up 747 if you have any kind of furniture for sale or exchange. We buy everything from the basement to the roof. Don't forget the Phone No. 747.

WANTED—To buy quantity of diamonds, in large or small. P. O. Box 846.

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406 Union Bank Building

WILL sell, furnished or unfurnished, strictly modern ten-room house, five bedrooms, large living room, den and breakfast room, with built-in features, cement basement, hot air furnace, wash tubs, etc.; close in, a half block from tram and ten minutes from Government Street; will give immediate possession. Address Owner, Box 922, Colonist.

Wishing My Many Clients the
COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON
ANDREWS REALTY

CROSS & CO.
Belmont House

$3500—THE best part of Fairfield, 6-room modern bungalow, all built-in features, full cement basement, laundry tubs, furnace, etc.; a real present at this price. (No. 943)

$4500—WILL buy this lovely home in Oak Bay, all modern; also garage, beautiful view of the sea and mountains, stands high, near school and car line. If you want a home in Oak Bay let us show you this one. (No. 1921)

$1500—CASH, balance easy, for an 8-room modern home in Fairfield, close in, absolutely up-to-date; hardwood floors and built-in features; garage. Let us tell you why you can purchase at this price. (No. 2007)

$2500—YOU ought to see this small place in Gordon Head, an ideal spot for small and large fruits as well as chicken; has good barn, large shed, chicken runs and other buildings, also 4-room house. The land is all clear and ready for cultivation; some fruit trees in full bearing. It would be a real Christmas present.

$1250—FOR 5 acres in North Saanich; all clear and cultivated. (No. 2049)

$2300—CASH and balance arranged; 5 acres, all cleared, with a large portion in fully bearing orchard; a good 6-room house and outbuildings; an ideal home site, commanding unobstructed view of the water; good fishing and boating, close to school, church, and transportation; best of roads. If you would see this you would like to own it. Let us tell you about it. (No. 599)

CROSS & CO.
Belmont House
No Phone Information

LOOK AT THIS

7-ROOMED, completely furnished house, 4 cement basement and all modern conveniences, stables and garage; situated on a double lot, only 4 minutes' walk from city hall; the whole thing complete for only $7,000. Other good bargains at

H. H. JONES & SON
Phone 1231 1006 Government Street

HOUSES FOR SALE (Continued) 8

BRETT & KER, LIMITED
623 Fort Street Phone 123

FAIRFIELD

$7000—This is a mortgage foreclosure and represents one of the best buys in the district. A semi-bungalow of the most modern design and exceptionally well planned, all built-in features, in excellent order throughout, and with first-class garage. The lot is 60x120 and is fenced. Within ten minutes' walk of the post office.

$8000—Close to Beacon Hill Park, a home which cost over $15,000. Strictly modern with 8 rooms. Large living room with built-in bookcases, beamed and panelled, etc. Beautiful drawing room, in cream enamel with open fireplace. Four bedrooms and large sleeping porch. Hardwood floors and hot water heat. Spacious grounds, also garage for two cars. Exclusive sale.

OAK BAY

WE offer one of the choicest houses in the district, situated close to Oak Bay Avenue, strictly modern. The exterior finish is stucco on steel laths. The interior is of the best material throughout; reception hall beamed and panelled, oak floors, large drawing room in cream enamel, with built-in seats and large open fireplace of very attractive green tiling, expensive electric fixtures and specially colored blinds; den with open fireplace, comfortable dining room beamed and panelled, open fireplace, pass pantry to kitchen, which is finished in white enamel; four good bedrooms and sewing room; hot water heating system, electric vacuum system piped throughout. Full concrete basement with portion partitioned off for billiard room, garage for two cars, well designed, and of the same exterior finish as the house, gasoline tank and pump in the garage; exceptionally fine brick driveway of pressed brick set in concrete, beautiful grounds with oak trees; property all fenced. Price $12,000; exclusive sale.

ACREAGE

$5000—One acre in orchard and 5-room modern bungalow within the three-mile circle.

BRETT & KER, LIMITED
623 Fort Street Phone 123

HOMES
Every House in this list is worth $2,000 more than list price.
If it's good and cheap, we have it.

$2600—Semi-bungalow, Finlayson Ave., modern, furnace, paved street and boulevard, $600 cash, balance including interest $10 month (worth $4,000).

$2800—Semi-bungalow, 7 rooms, large lot, furnace, modern; $800 cash, balance $15 monthly including interest. (Cost $5,000).

$3000—6-room, modern bungalow, built for owner, cost $5,000; easy terms.

$3000—Semi-bungalow, fine basement and splendid lot. Near car and sea. Cost $5,000; terms.

$3500—Beautiful home, material and fittings especially fitted, full cement basement, garage; worth $6,000; terms.

$3800—Real home, 3 bedrooms, with large closets, finished in white enamel; 2 toilets, hardwood floors, dining room finished in leather; furnace, full cement basement, large lot, garage (cost $350 to build), could not be replaced at $7,000; easy terms.

$4000—Beautiful 7-room house, absolutely modern, large basement, 3 - lots, on Esquimalt Road; easily worth $6,000; terms.

$4000—Fine, 7-room house on Gorge waters, modern in every detail, $1,000 cash, balance arranged.

$4500—5-room modern house, fine view of Straits, furnace, 3 toilets, nice grounds, built by day labor, would be a snap at $7,000.

$4500—Beautiful Gorge home, 6 rooms, garden in fruit, home splendidly furnished, $2,000 cash, balance arranged.

$4750—Beautiful, modern, especially-built, up-to-date, 5-room bungalow, oak floors, beamed ceilings, plumbing and kitchen fittings of the highest grade; the very finest home in the City; terms.

$5000—9-room modern house, built by owner, plumbing, electric fittings and all material and lumber selected, bath, 2 toilets, electric heater, full cement basement, furnace, greenhouse, garage, stone wall, fence, cement sidewalks. Worth $7,500.

$5500—Fully modern, up-to-the-minute, 7-room home in Esquimalt; no better built and arranged home on B.C.; a woman's delight; double lot; furniture, which is part of the best, can be purchased for $800; terms.

$6000—8-room modern bungalow, built by the leading architect in B.C. Arrangement and convenience perfect. This is quoted at $3,000 below cost.

$7200—Perfect, modern, 7-room house, appointments and fixtures perfectly arranged. One of the most modern homes in Oak Bay; garage, large lot; this is a beautiful home.

CROWN REALTY & INVESTMENT CO.
Over Imperial Bank
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W. H. Price, Notary Public, Mgr.

LEEMING BROS., LTD.
1124 Broad Street Phone 748

$2450—First class 4-roomed bungalow, one block from Gorge car. Nice living room, with conservatory opening off; to fine bedrooms, with cupboards; extra large fully fitted Dutch kitchen; modern bathroom, with toilet; full basement; concrete foundation; nice garden. Low taxes. Easy terms.

$2800—Modern 4-roomed bungalow on a large lot, 80 ft. x 200 ft., all excellent garden soil; chicken house. This is inside the mile and a half circle and between good street car and jitney service.

$1500—Very attractive bungalow planned house on a full sized lot within walking distance of the centre of the city. Living room and dining room finished in mission, with built-in window seats, handsome buffet, open fireplace; fitted pass pantry; compact Dutch kitchen, with gas stove. On the ground floor are two fine bedrooms, with linen cupboards, one bedroom having beautiful electric fireplace; bathroom and toilet; linen cupboard. Upstairs are two more bedrooms and box room. The house has full cement floor, granite foundation, large furnace, laundry tubs, toilet. At the rear of the lot is large garage workshop. THIS IS A PERFECT HOME, EASILY WORTH $7,500.

$7500—Beautiful 8-roomed house in one of the choicest spots in Oak Bay, two bathrooms, hardwood floors, in fact, the best of everything. Easy terms can be arranged.

LET US SHOW YOU THIS

MACLURE ST.

$6000—will buy new modern 8-room house (4 beds), basement, furnace, 50x120 lot, garage, garden, terms.

RICHARDSON ST.

$3750—New modern 5-room bungalow, 60x130 lot, basement, $800 cash.

MONTREAL ST.

$2800—4-room bungalow, basement, 60x120 lot, $600 cash, balance arranged.

E. A. HARRIS,
611 Fort. Phone 3251.

HOUSES FOR SALE (Continued) 8

P. R. BROWN
Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agent.
1112 Broad Street Phone 1076

ONTARIO STREET—Six-roomed modern bungalow, containing parlor with open fireplace, dining room, large kitchen and pantry, three large bedrooms with clothes closets in each, full sized basement, piped for furnace; garage with cement runway; full sized lot. Price $3,675; terms.

TORONTO STREET—Nine-roomed modern home, containing reception hall, beamed ceiling, panelled walls, large open fireplace; living room with panelled walls, beamed ceiling, built-in bookcases; dining room, built-in buffet, panelled walls and beamed ceiling; den with panelled walls, large kitchen, pantry, scullery, toilet, wash basin, laundry tubs off kitchen; five large bedrooms, with clothes closets in each and one with fireplace; good garage; full sized basement. Price $6,500; terms.

RUTHET STREET—Five-roomed modern cottage, containing parlor with grate, dining room, kitchen and pantry, two bedrooms. Price $2,100; terms.

BANK STREET—6-roomed 1½-story bungalow, containing living room, with large built-in bookcases; dining room with open fireplace, built-in buffet, walls done in ivorette to picture rail; large kitchen and pantry; three bedrooms, finished in white enamel with clothes closets in each; bathroom and toilet, with all fittings; large linen closet; garage with cement floor. Price $2,300; terms.

RICHMOND ROAD, near Fort Street—7-roomed modern house, containing parlor, open fireplace; dining room, beamed ceiling, built-in buffet; large den; kitchen and pantry; three good sized bedrooms, with clothes closets in each; full sized cement basement, furnace, wash tubs; garage. Price $3,500; terms.

GORGE DISTRICT—Cosy four-roomed bungalow, containing living room, kitchen, with many built-in features; two good sized bedrooms, with clothes closets in each; bath and toilet; full size basement; good garden. This home is in splendid condition. Price, only $3,200; terms.

BELMONT AVENUE—5-roomed modern bungalow, containing parlor, open fireplace; dining room, panelled walls, built-in buffet; kitchen; two bedrooms, with clothes closets in each; full sized cement basement that can be used as a garage. Price $3,150; terms.

OAK BAY—1½-story gungalow of 6 rooms, containing reception hall, with panelled walls, hardwood floor; living room with panelled walls, beamed ceiling, large granite fireplace, hardwood floor; dining room with built-in buffet, panelled walls and hardwood floor; kitchen with cupboards, etc.; pantry; all fixtures are exceptionally good; three large bedrooms with clothes closets in each; full sized cement basement; hot water heating, 50 per cent extra capacity; garage with cement floor. This is a particularly well built home, and is in the very best condition. Price $8,000; terms.

LIST YOUR HOUSE, FARM OR LOT WITH ME FOR SALE

5-ROOM bungalow, modern; the best in the city; $2,500 on easy terms.
4-ROOM house, almost new; lot 50x140; close paved street, exceedingly good buy. $1,475, very easy terms.
5-ROOM bungalow, fully modern. Price $3,000, easy terms; large lot.
6-ROOMED bungalow, fully modern; price $2,750, good terms; large lot.
8-ROOMED house in Fairfield, one of the very best in every respect. Price $5,300; lot 60x160.

A. E. MITCHELL
402 Union Bank Bldg.

HOMES OUR SPECIALTY

7-ROOM MODERN HOUSE, with half acre of good land all in orchard, close to car; low taxes; excellent basement, furnace, kitchen and pantry, dining room and living room, sliding doors between; 4 good bedroom down stairs and 3 bedrooms upstairs, all with closets. We have been instructed by owners to sacrifice this property for $3,700.

3-ROOM COTTAGE, with nearly 1 acre of good land, all in garden; bearing orchard, large and small fruits; chicken houses; close to car; low taxes; $1,700.

COMFORTABLE 3-ROOM FURNISHED COTTAGE, with garage, on Burnside Road. $1,300.

7-ROOM HOUSE, close in, open fireplace and modern conveniences. A snap at $2,100.

A. T. ABBEY, City Brokerage
506 Union Bank Building Phone 315

8-ROOMED house, modern, standing in nearly ¼-acre land, on Russell Street, nice garden with fruit trees in bearing; owner leaving town; will sacrifice for $4,700, terms. Furniture can be purchased if required at a very reasonable price.

AGREEMENTS of sale, mortgages, and conveyances of every description promptly executed on reasonable terms; Fire and Life Insurance written.

SIMS Avenue,- 5-room bungalow; $1,100, terms.

CAVE & SAUNDERS
1003 Langley Street

HOMES FOR SALE

$3150—Neat, well built modern bungalow containing 5 rooms, entrance hall and cement basement, hall and dining room panelled, large open fireplace in sitting room, hot air furnace, nice high lot with garage; taxes low.

$3150—Well built home of 5 rooms and cement basement, quite modern and nicely situated in open surroundings, near car; taxes light.

$2100—Attractive little bungalow of 5 rooms, basement, hall panelled, built-in features in dining room, open fireplace with overmantel to sitting room, sleeping porch with glass doors; taxes light and terms easy.

$3300—Five homes of 5 rooms and cement basement, furnace heated, modern throughout and very well built, stone fence in front, nice appearance and location in high part of city; good view, low taxes and close to car.

$1600—Workman's snap; house of six rooms, newly renovated, close to Fernwood car; easiest of terms; $500 cash and $20 per month. For further particulars see agent.

ARTHUR LINEHAM
1603 Douglas St Phone 664

WANTED TO BUY—HOUSES 10

WILL pay cash for 6 or 7-room house or bungalow, Fairfield or Oak Bay. Price not to exceed $5,000. Apply Box 401, Colonist.

WANTED—For spot cash, 6 or 7-roomed furnished home, bungalow preferred. Good view of sea necessary. Possession by January 15th, or earlier if possible. Quick deal if price is right. Andrews Realty. Phone 2724.

WANTED—5-room modern bungalow; must be inside city limits; can pay up to $1,600 first payment. State full particulars to Box 398, Colonist.

ACREAGE FOR SALE 41

B. C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY.
Established 1863
923 Government Street Phone 125

We
Wish
Everybody
A MERRY XMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Wishing
You All
A Very
Merry
Christmas

ISLAND BLUEPRINT & MAP CO.
Sayward Bldg. (basement) Phone 6447

ARE you looking for a good home or a farm cheap? Don't decide until you have seen the Crown Realty Listings.

A CATTLE PROPOSITION NEAR VICTORIA.—Comprising 50 acres cleared, barn and seeded, small lake, some buildings, all fenced with new line, on good motor road. Will sell or trade. Splendid value, $12,000.
Personally Inspected
H. AMPHLETT G. C. HOWELL
101 Union Bank Building

10 ACRES WATERFRONT

ABOUT 3 acres cleared, garden, fruit trees, etc.; 6-room house with large verandah, beautiful view, garage, telephone, water by gravity from never failing spring. Price $9,000.

A. S. BARTON WISE & CO.
111 Pemberton Bldg.
Phone 2901

AN attractive property of 190 acres with a large waterfrontage, situated on main road between Parksville and Qualicum Beach. Apply Owner, Box 4878, Colonist.

CORDOVA BAY—17 acres, about 5 acres cultivated, berries; a further 3 acres practically cleared, small house, barn; suitable for small fruit growing, never dries out in the hottest weather. There is always moisture on this land, has a good supply of several living springs; 5-roomed house, good barn and store house, water tower and tank, extensive chicken houses and runs. There is money in this place to be made by the right man; a good buy at $6,000; terms.

SAANICH—East Road, close in, 24 acres, about 45 acres cleared, large amount cultivated, rest ready for the plough, all excellent soil, in fact, the very best, a considerable area suitable for strawberries and loganberries, 15 acres slashed, balance timber; 5-roomed house, barn and outbuildings, orchard, living spring. A splendid place, and good terms can be arranged, $25,000 is the price for two men. Might sell a portion. We have it exclusively. Let us show you it.

BAGSHAWE & CO.
Phone 512. 325 Sayward Bldg.

COMOX—91 acres, near the Merville Camp —unimproved, no heavy timber. Snap price, $1,100 cash.

In this district we have some very attractive buys, both in improved and unimproved properties. If you are interested in this part of the island let us hear from you.

SIDNEY—1 acre, all cleared, 4-roomed bungalow with an exceptionally fine view across the Straits. Other land can be had adjacent, or would make fine Summer home; $1,500 on terms.

FANNY BAY—30 acres, sea frontage, ¾ mile from station and school, 7 acres cleared, remainder easy clearing, 6-roomed house; this, etc., now; 5 head of stock and farm utensils, all as going concern. Snap price, $9,000 on terms.

FRANCO-CANADIAN TRUST CO., LTD.

FOR SALE—Central Alberta quarter section, 45 acres cultivated, all fenced; buildings and implements; or exchange for improved acreage with building near Victoria. Apply 168 Crease Street.

ACREAGE FOR SALE (Continued) 41

We offer the biggest bargains in
ACREAGE
at prices and terms that you never heard of for 10 years
CLOSE to railway and river frontage; the soil is most excellent; the land is located off and near good road.

12 ACRES	$ 850
14 ACRES	800
16 ACRES	840
19 ACRES	1,000
20 ACRES	1,000
22 ACRES	1,100
24 ACRES	1,200
25 ACRES	1,250
37 ACRES	1,850
42 ACRES	2,250

CROWN REALTY & INVESTMENT CO.
Over Imperial Bank Gov't. and Yates
W. H. Price, Notary Public, Mgr.
NO PHONE INFORMATION

FOR SALE—On easy terms, 200 odd acres, on Saturna Island, for $1,000; good beach and seafrontage. Apply D. M. Watson, Chemainus, B.C.

YOU SHOULD OWN THIS
SIX AND ONE-THIRD ACRES

FIRST-CLASS land, partly cleared, good deep soil, with 7-roomed house, in good location, close to store, church and school. This is a good buy at $2,500, on terms; half an hour's drive on good road from Victoria.

R. HAMILTON & SON
Phone 6308 123 Pemberton Bldg.

BAZAN BAY, SAANICH, overlooking sea, adjoining B.C. Electric Station, on paved road, 3 acres splendid land, cultivated; plenty water; price, $1,200. We will build a modern bungalow on this property for an additional $2,500. Call and view plans.
H. AMPHLETT G. C. HOWELL
101 Union Bank Building

FOR SALE—As going concern, small ranch near Chemainus, 7½ acres good land, all under cultivation; house, modern; own water system; outbuildings, fruit trees, grapes and small fruit, two cows, 66 laying pullets, trout pond. Write for particulars. Part cash, balance to suit. S. B. Stinger, Ladysmith, B.C.

MOUGLE ISLAND

HERE is an opportunity to acquire an Island comprising about 12 acres, partly timbered, with house, large chicken house, brooder houses, and warehouse at wharf; 2 good wells on property. Cash price, $1,700.

SNAP—OAK BAY

2 ACRES on Monterey Avenue, near Shoal Bay; never refused $18,000 for this property; will sell subject to mortgage of $2,500 for $2,850.

S. P. MOODY CO.
Campbell Building Victoria

IF you are looking for a farm or home, decide after you have seen the Crown Realty Listings.

NINE ACRES GOOD LAND, adjoining Hatley Park, Colwood. Snap price, $1,000, situated on main road. We will build a modern bungalow on this property for $2,500 additional.
H. AMPHLETT G. C. HOWELL
101 Union Bank Building
Phone 5900

ONE acre, in fruit, 2 small buildings, two miles from Victoria, beautiful home site, $1,150, terms; $1,100, cash. Crown Realty, Co.

SIX acres on paved road, Royal Oak, fine modern six-roomed bungalow with city conveniences, bath, toilet, telephone and R.M.D.; nice barns and outbuildings, kitchen garden and orchard, all kinds of bulbs, plants and shrubs. Ideal as a country residence or chicken farm; $6,000, terms.
H. AMPHLETT G. C. HOWELL
101 Union Bank Building
Phone 5900

SAANICH—Near Sidney, 10 acres, first-class land, all under cultivation, fenced and good four-room bungalow and outbuildings; $4,500.

SOOKE—Twenty acres, about ten first-class land, fenced, with four acres cleared, good orchard, garden, poultry runs, and new, modern, well-built, five-room bungalow with basement; a good buy at $3,500, terms.

HAPPY VALLEY—Twenty-six acres, about half cultivated, all fenced, 250 fruit trees bearing, good house and outbuildings, a snap at $6,500.

DUNFORDS LTD.
1234 Government Street

GORDON HEAD
5 acres, $600 per acre
7½ acres, $600 per acre
15 acres, $600 per acre

THEY are the very choicest of STRAWBERRY and FRUIT lands, also suitable for all sorts of berries, apples, POULTRY raising and MIXED farming.
Terms Given
R. B. PUNNNETT & CO.
807-8 Pemberton Blk. Phone 3706

WE ARE:
Mapmakers,
Draughtsmen,
Makers of Blueprints,
Whiteprints, Negatives.

ISLAND BLUEPRINT & MAP CO.
Sayward Blk. (basement) Phone 6447

The cheapest piece of Acreage on the Island
80 acres slashed, small house, with stable and chicken house, on good road, 1 mile from station, schools, churches, post office, telephone and telegraph, will sell for $1,500 cash, and balance on very reasonable terms. See Crown Realty Co., over Imperial Bank, the Farm Specialists.

ACREAGE CLOSE IN
If You Are Going to Build
LOOK HERE!

1 ACRE of fertile land, just off Cloverdale Avenue, close to car and busline. Good terms offered; or will sell one or more lots of the same property cheap.
Price and Terms on Application
THE BUSINESS EXCHANGE
710 B.C. Permanent Building
Telephone 2925

FARM FOR TRADE

172 ACRES, situated in the famous Ashcroft district, practically all cleared; good house, stables, barn, large chicken houses and runs, on the main road from Ashcroft to Clinton, unlimited free cattle range, fine lake on property three rods from house, consisting of about three acres in area; close to school, church, railway station, etc. Will trade for 6-room house in city.

25 ACRES in the Comox Valley, good little house, barn, stable, chicken run, fenced with 5 strands of wire, 7 acres under cultivation; 10 acres slashed; close to school, church, phone, store, etc. Price $1,500 cash; balance on very easy terms. See:
A. E. MITCHELL
402 Union Bank Building

ACREAGE

We are Farm Specialists
4706—6 acres, unimproved, near station.
$950—12 acres, smack and well.
$1,600—8 acres and 4-room shack, near C. N. R., Goldstream.
$1,150—Acre in fruit, with 2 shacks, near Victoria, fine home site.
$1,300—5 acres, close in.
$1,650—Acreage, 4 acres improved, near station, Cobble Hill.
$1,750—10 acres, good land, facing sea at Sooke.
$1,950—20 acres, good land, partly improved, Parksville.
$2,000—15 acres, fully cleared land, and fenced, Cobble Hill.
$2,500—160 acres, close to C. N. R., Otter District, Sooke.
$2,500—5 acres on Carey Road; fine soil.
$3,000—10 acres, Gaudin Ave., Carey Road; splendid soil.
$3,000—160 acres, Kamloops, 30 acres cleared
$3,075—20 acres, 10 slashed and seeded to grass, fenced.
$3,075—20 acres, all fenced, 6 acres cleared.
$4,500—Beautiful farm, fenced, good buildings, Metchosin.
$6,500—25 acres fenced, partly cleared, fine buildings, on Island Highway.
$7,500—160 acres, Comox, fine home, splendid proposition.
$8,500—10 acres, Saanich, 300 fruit trees, house and outbuildings, on B. C. M. R., 7 miles from Victoria.
$10,000—10 acres, wire fenced, fine orchard, full complement of agricultural implements.
$20,000—60 acres, 15 acres in splendid fruits, near Cordova Bay.
$35,000—161 acres, nearly all in cultivation and pasture, two fine fruit orchards, 2 houses and barns, blacksmith shop; fully equipped as a going concern.
$36,500—122 acres, mostly bottom land, well watered; fine house and ample buildings, stock and machinery, wagons, implements, splendid going concern. One of the soundest and best investments. Fronts on the water.
The above are only a varied few of our list of farms.
We are the Island Farm Specialists
CROWN REALTY & INVESTMENT CO.
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ACREAGE FOR SALE ... 41 (Continued)

SWINERTON & MUSGRAVE

ACREAGE
suitable for
CHICKEN RANCHES

6½ ACRES (more or less) old West Saanich Road, 6 minutes from Goward Station, lightly timbered, per acre only $75.

3.46 ACRES at Huggett's, opposite school and close to B. C. Electric station and Wallace's store, all cultivated and level; a few minutes from Saanich Inlet; $1,200.

4 ACRES, West Saanich Road, close to Wilkinson Road, 1 acre cultivated, balance lightly timbered, paved road; only $3,000.

9.42 ACRES, Metchosin, all good land, some good timber, close to church, school, hall and sea; on terms, only $1,800.

10.88 ACRES, Metchosin, opposite the above, all good land, partly cleared; only $2,000.

11 ACRES, Metchosin, on the waterfront, all good land, very good timber; only $3,800.

11.40 ACRES, Metchosin, on the waterfront, all good land, partly cleared; only $3,350.

10.57 ACRES, West Saanich Road, close to Goward Station, mostly all cleared; $4,500.

16.75 ACRES, West Saanich Road, close to Goward Station, 6 miles out; $6,500.

ALSO

103 ACRES, near Goldstream, some good timber; only $400.

SWINERTON & MUSGRAVE
Winch Building 640 Fort Street

COUNTRY HOMES FOR SALE

9¼ ACRES, situate on seafront in sheltered location on Saanich Arm, on good road and close to station. Orchard and garden of 3 acres and some good pasture. Very fine modern home of 10 rooms, bath, 2 toilets, cement basement, furnace heated, water laid on.

10 ACRES, five in orchard and small fruits, balance all cultivated and fenced. California bungalow of six rooms, bath, water laid on. Barn and other buildings. Situate on main road, close to sea, school and station.

5 ACRES, all cultivated and fenced; nice orchard and garden. Modern bungalow of 6 rooms, with panelled living and dining rooms; barn and other buildings. Situate in nice district, facing sea and close to station.

8 ACRES, very good land, some orchard, small fruits and garden. Fine, up-to-date, modern home of 7 rooms, fine panelling, beam ceilings and built-in features, water laid on, and toilet. Very pleasant situation, close to sea and Brentwood station. All the above are excellent buys and are situate in Saanich. For prices and further particulars apply to agent.
ARTHUR LINEHAM
1603 Douglas. Tel. 664

25 ACRES, 23 good loam soil, house worth $2,000; barn and outbuildings, running creek, 7-8 acres cleared, 16 part cleared; as a going concern, with stock, hay and machinery; $5,000, terms; 2¼ miles from town. Improved farms in the COMOX VALLEY, the best farming district on Vancouver Island. Apply F. R. F. BISCOE, COURTENAY.

HOMES OUR SPECIALTY

300 ACRES, 15 cleared and cultivated, 40 slashed and burnt over, 20 bottom land, balance slightly rolling; no rock; first class standing timber, cruise 1¼ million feet. This property would make a splendid sheep or cattle ranch. Situated 5 miles from Duncan, on a main road, and 1¼ miles to railway station. To close an estate we are offering this property at $27 per acre. Call at office for further particulars.

7 ACRES, cleared and cultivated, all first class land, splendid water supply, small house, good barn and stable, chicken houses. This property is well situated in Metchosin district, near the sea; $3,500, easy terms.

10 ACRES, 5 acres slashed, nicely situated overlooking Quamichan Lake. Would build to suit purchaser and sell on terms.

A. T. ABBEY, City Brokerage
506 Union Bank Building Phone 315

ACREAGE WANTED 42

FOR RENT—Large, well-lighted frame building on Esquimalt Road, suitable for warehouse, school or hall purposes. Phone 1234.

WANTED—Cheap, for cash, from owner, 10 acres of good cultivated land, near Victoria. Full particulars to Box 202, Colonist.

PROPERTY FOR SALE 7

FOR Sale—The beautiful Crane Island, situated in the San Juan Island group, one mile from Deer Harbor, Washington, and fifteen miles from Victoria. For further particulars address J. C. Hammond, 1802 14th Avenue, Seattle, Wash.

$1000 CASH—A snap for someone, fine large lot, 4 blocks from centre of city, on Johnson Street. Assessed at $1,500; low taxes. Apply 1163 Johnson Street.

Corporation of the District of Saanich

Applications will be received by the undersigned up to noon on Saturday, December 27, 1919, for the position of Chief of Police, salary $140 per month.

HECTOR S. COWPER,
Clerk,
Board of Police Commissioners,
Royal Oak P. O.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

SHERIFF'S SALE REAL ESTATE

Description
Southerly Half of Lot 1, Block D, Woodland Park, Victoria District, except the Northerly 50 Feet thereof, together with 6-room Cottage and good outbuildings on said Premises, Street No. 2201 Alder Street.

Under and by virtue of an Order of the Honorable Mr. Justice Morrison, dated October 23rd, 1919, and pursuant to the "Execution Act," I will offer for sale at public auction at my office, Law Chambers, Bastion Street, Victoria, on Friday, January 23rd, 1920, at 11 o'clock of the forenoon, all interest of the judgment debtor, D. A. Campbell, in and to the following described property:
Particulars: Southerly half of Lot 1, in Block D, Woodland Park, Victoria District, Map 256A, except the northerly 50 feet thereof, together with all improvements thereon.
Plaintiff: Canadian Bank of Commerce.
Defendant: D. A. Campbell.
Registered Owner: D. A. Campbell.
Registered Charges: Mortgage for $1,000, registered December 27th, 1910, Mortgage for $201.48, registered July 2nd, 1918.
Judgments: Judgment in favor of the Plaintiff—Canadian Bank of Commerce against the said Defendant—D. A. Campbell for $1,342.97, registered April 15th, 1918.
Terms of sale: Cash.
F. G. RICHARDS,
Sheriff, County of Victoria.
Sheriff's Office, Victoria, B.C., November 19th, 1919.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE BILL

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session by the Corporation of the City of Victoria for an Act (to be known as the "Victoria City Act, 1920") providing for the following matters, and giving to the said Corporation and the Municipal Council thereof the following powers, namely:—

1. Amending the "Victoria City Relief Act, 1918, (No. 2)," as follows:

(a) By adding to Section 7 a provision giving any purchaser of any interest in land from a soldier who shall have made his first payment on the ten year instalment plan, the same rights and privileges as to payment of taxes as such soldier would have had if he had not sold such land.

(b) Providing (retroactively), that all rights of way, easements and servitudes acquired by the Corporation in respect of any land within the Province sold for taxes, shall remain a valid charge in favor of the Corporation from and after the date of such tax sale and the issuance of title to the land sold.

2. Amending Section 16 of the "Victoria City Act, 1919," by requiring the holder of a trade licence for the previous year to pay his road tax for the current year before having his name entered on the Municipal Voters' List.

3. Requiring every trade licence-holder to pay his road tax for the current year in addition to all licence fees due to the Corporation, before having his name entered on the Municipal Voters' List.

4. Validating and confirming the Annual Rate By-law No. 2056 of the Corporation, passed after the date required by the "Municipal Act Amendment Act, 1919," and the percentage additions provided for by said By-law in respect of all unpaid taxes for 1919.

5. Enabling the Local Improvement Commissioners in their discretion, to reduce the number of annual instalments of special assessments to any number not less than ten.

6. Empowering the Municipal Council to make, alter and repeal by-laws for the following purposes:

(a) For assessing land by annual rate, with the cost of maintenance of electric lighting by cluster light or otherwise, and of all boulevards installed, constructed or laid on streets in front of such abutting land, and for levying and recovering the same from the owners or occupiers of such land.

(b) For charging owners or occupiers of lands, vacant or otherwise, or the lands themselves, capable of being drained into a sewer or drain with a rental for the use, or the opportunity of use of the same, on per foot frontage, or other basis, and for regulating, levying and recovering such rental.

(c) For dealing with like remedies for collecting, all persons owning property drained into a sewer, with rent for use of connecting pipes or drains, and for regulating the times and manner for payment of charges.

7. Validating and confirming the rates previously levied, and collections made in connection with sewer rentals, cluster lighting, and boulevard maintenance.

8. Authorizing the Corporation by by-law, without the vote of the ratepayers, to borrow upon debentures, or stock, any part, or all of the sums required to pay at maturity the principal and interest of any original securities issued by the Corporation, and limiting the date of maturing of such debentures, or stock, to twenty years after the maturity of the original securities, and providing for the proper application of all monies paid in respect of special assessments covered by the said original securities.

9. Dispensing with the necessity of publicly exhibiting, or otherwise giving notice in writing of resolutions to be submitted at meetings of the Council.

10. Authorizing the Council by by-law to provide money with which to purchase, lease, construct, maintain and operate a municipal golf links, and to join with others in the management of same.

11. Authorizing the Council, by by-law, without the assent of the ratepayers, to reduce the width of Fairfield Road between St. Charles Street and Foul Bay Road, from sixty-six (66) feet to fifty-five (55) feet, and to sell the eleven-foot strip thereof to the adjoining property owners.

12. Providing for the validity of all tax sales notwithstanding irregularity in the description or assessment of lands already sold or to be sold.

13. Authorizing the Council, by By-law,

(a) To enter into agreements with adjoining municipalities for the interchange of sewer connection privileges by property owners of the Corporation, and of an adjoining municipality.

(b) To compel property owners of the Corporation to connect and drain into a sewer of the adjoining municipality.

(c) To collect from such property owners rentals or other charges for such sewer connections.

14. Authorizing the Council, by resolution, to sell by public or private sale, all unidentified and unclaimed articles in possession of the Police Department, at the expiration of one year of such possession.

15. Granting ratepayers on or before the 15th day of December, 1920, the privilege of paying all general and local improvement taxes in arrears accrued payable to the Corporation to the 31st day of December, 1919, on the ten year instalment plan, with interest on all deferred instalments computed from that date, at six (6%) per cent per annum.

16. Providing for the payment, previous to the date of 1920 tax sale of all taxes in arrears up to January 1st, 1920, by payment of all special local improvement taxes, ninety per cent of all general taxes and one-half of the accrued interest to date of settlement.

17. Providing that the aggregate amount of all general and local improvement taxes accrued payable to the Corporation to be computed in ascertaining the Soldiers' Capital Sum as used in the Victoria City Acts, shall be computed only to the date on which the soldier makes his first payment of one-tenth of the said Soldier's Capital Sum.

18. Validating an agreement between the Corporation and the British Columbia Telephone Company, by which the Corporation has transferred its rights and property in certain underground conduits and equipment, to the British Columbia Telephone Company, pursuant to prior agreements already ratified and confirmed by legislation, and which postpones indefinitely the time within which the Corporation, by the said prior agreements, is required to obtain and transfer to the Company the rights of way and easements for the said conduits and equipment.

19. Amending Paragraph (ee) of Subsection (1) of Section 18 of the "Victoria City Act, 1919," to provide for the payment by a hawker of the same licence fee as required from a stockbroker.

20. Validating a By-law to be submitted to the electors in January 1920, authorizing the Corporation to borrow and to use $

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE BILL.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session by the Corporation of the District of Saanich for an Act (the Corporation of Saanich Municipality Act, 1920) providing for the following matters, and giving to the said Corporation and the Municipal Council thereof the following powers, viz:

1. Constructing, extending, operating and maintaining the water works distribution system of the Municipality by supplying water for gas and all other purposes to inhabitants of the Municipality and the localities adjacent thereto as may be deemed expedient by the Council from time to time.

2. Constituting and varying from time to time any part or parts of the Municipality as sewer or drainage districts, and in relation thereto,

(a) To provide that the entire cost of carrying out a sewerage or drainage scheme within such defined area shall be borne by the lands within such sewer or drainage area.

(b) To provide for charging owners or occupiers of lands, vacant or otherwise, or the lands themselves, capable of being drained to a sewer or drain, with a rental for the use or the opportunity of user of the same on per foot frontage or other basis to be assessed and for regulating, levying and recovering such rentals.

(c) For charging (with like remedies for collection) all persons owning property drained into a sewer or drain with a rent for use or connecting pipes or drains and for regulating the time and manner for payment of charges.

(d) For levying annually a rate upon the assessable lands within the defined districts, sufficient to meet the estimated deficiency between the total annual cost, which is comprised of the (i) annual interest on money borrowed to defray the cost of construction of the said sewers or drains, (ii) the sinking fund for the payment of such borrowed moneys, (iii) the cost of maintenance and repairs of said sewers or drains, and the estimated revenue from sewer frontage rates and sewer connection rentals as defined in sub-sections (b) and (c).

(e) Authorizing the Council by by-law, which will receive the assent of the ratepayers, to construct and borrow sufficient money from time to time to complete the entire sewerage or drainage of a defined district in accordance with the plans and estimates as then prepared, such by-law to set out or refer to plans showing the extent of the work intended to be proceeded with immediately and the estimated cost of same, the borrowing of which amount shall be thereby authorized, and the said by-law shall authorize the Council by further by-laws, without the further assent of the ratepayers, to borrow any further sum or sums from time to time to allow further extensions of the sewerage or drainage system within any so defined areas. Provided however, that no extension shall be made unless (i) the Provincial Board of Health or the Local Board of Health shall declare that such extension is desirable in the interest of the health of the Municipality, or (ii) a Petition for such extension shall have been received by the Municipal Council signed by the owners of at least half of the value of the lands liable to be charged a rental for the use or opportunity of user of the sewer or drain to be so extended.

3. Of purchasing, constructing, operating and maintaining motor buses within the Municipality and localities adjacent thereto, and for regulating the conditions and terms under which the same may be used or operated.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 17th day of December, 1919.

BARNARD, ROBERTSON, HEISTERMAN AND TAIT,
Solicitors for the Applicant.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Victoria, Aug. 22, 1919. Registry, 1919 B. No. 227.

Between:

HELEN RUSSELL,
Plaintiff.

And

JOHN HAYES McCULLOCH and CECIL BERKLEY MILES and FRANK SMEDLEY,
Defendants.

In Chambers before the Honourable Mr. Justice Morrison, Thursday, the 28th day of August, 1919.

Upon the application of Mr. C. L. Harrison, solicitor for the plaintiff, and upon hearing read the affidavit of the plaintiff, Helen Russell, sworn the 25th day of July, 1919, and the affidavit of C. L. Harrison, sworn the 18th day of August, 1919.

It is ordered that service of a copy of this order and a copy of the Writ of Summons in this action on the defendant, John Hayes McCulloch, by publishing the same in a newspaper published and circulating within the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, and in a newspaper published and circulating within the City of Calgary, in the Province of Alberta, for the period of one month, shall be good and sufficient service of the said Writ on the defendant, and that the plaintiff upon default or appearance of the said defendant may proceed with the said action notwithstanding the provisions of the War Relief Act.

A. MORRISON,
J.
"G.D." W. A. Macdonald.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Victoria, June 18, 1919. Registry, E. No. 227; 1919.

Between:

HELEN RUSSELL,
Plaintiff,

and

JOHN HAYES McCULLOCH, and CECIL BERKLEY MILES, and FRANK SMEDLEY,
Defendants.

George The Fifth, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions Beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To:

JOHN HAYES McCULLOCH, of Victoria, British Columbia, and CECIL BERKLEY MILES, and FRANK SMEDLEY, both of Saanich Municipality, British Columbia.

We command you, that within eight days after the service of this writ on you, inclusive of the day of such service, you do cause an appearance to be entered for you in an action at the suit of

HELEN RUSSELL, of No. 158 Robertson Street, Victoria, British Columbia.

And take notice, that in default of your so doing, the Plaintiff may proceed therein, and judgment may be given in your absence.

Witness, The Honorable Gordon Hunter, Chief Justice, the 18th day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

N.B.—This Writ is to be served within twelve calendar months from the date thereof, or, if renewed, within twelve calendar months from the date of the last renewal, including the day of such date, and not afterwards.

The Defendant may appear hereto by entering an appearance either personally or by solicitor at the office of the District Registrar of this Court at the Court House, Victoria, B.C.

C. L. HARRISON,
Plaintiff's Solicitor.

To Our Patrons and All in City and Country

The Season's Greetings

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No Sale on Friday This Week

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET

WINNIPEG, Dec. 24.—Oats closed ¼c to ½c higher; barley unchanged to ⅜c higher; flax, 10c to 6¾c lower; rye, 1⅜c to 1c higher.

Oats—	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	92⅜	93	92⅜	93⅜
May	93	93⅜	93	93⅛
July	89¼	89⅝	89	89⅛
Barley—				
Dec.	...	...	...	171
May	159⅛	159½	158¾	159¼
Flax—				
Dec.	481	482¼	466	475
May	475	476	468	469¾
Rye—				
Dec.	...	...	...	182⅜
May	188	188	187½	188

Cash prices: Oats—2 C.W., 93c; 3 C.W., 89¾c; extra 1 feed, 90c; 1 feed, 88¾c; 2 feed, 84¾c; track, 90½c.

Barley—3 C.W., $1.71; 4 C.W., $1.66; rejected, $1.36¼; feed, $1.35¼; track, $1.66¼.

Flax—1 N.W.C., $4.74; 2 C.W., $4.70; 3 C. W., $4.34; track, $4.69¾.

Rye—2 C.W., $1.82⅜.

METAL MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24. — Copper, steady. Electrolytic, spot and nearby, 18⅝@19; first quarter, 18⅝@19. Iron, steady and unchanged. Antimony, $9.75.

Metal exchange quotes: Lead, strong; spot and January, $7.45 bid, $7.60 asked. Zinc, strong; spot, East St. Louis delivery, $8.60 bid, $8.75 asked.

At London: Spot copper, £106 12s 6d; futures, £108 7s 6d. Electrolytic, spot, £115; futures, £118. Tin, spot, £329 10s; futures, £331 2s 6d. Lead, spot, £44 10s; futures, £44 15s. Zinc, spot, £55 15s; futures, £56 10s.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Bar silver, money and discount unchanged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Bar silver, $1.33. Mexican dollars, $1.01½.

Mercantile paper unchanged. Sterling, demand, $3.32; cables, $3.83¼. Francs, demand, 10.57; cables, 10.55. Guilders, demand, unchanged. Lire, demand, 12.92; cables, 13.00. Marks, demand, 2.19; cables, 2.12. Time loans strong, unchanged.

Call money strong; high, 14; low, 10; ruling rate, 10; closing bid, 10; offered at 11; last loan, 10.

DOMINION LOAN PRICES

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—1925, 96; 1931, 96½; 1937, 89. Victory loans: 1922, 98¾; 1923, 98¾; 1927, 101; 1933, 102¼; 1937, 103¾.

MONTREAL PRODUCE

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—Eggs, active. Potatoes, unchanged, prices maintained. Butter, unchanged and quiet. Cheese, without feature, unchanged and steady.

Cheese—Finest Easterns, 39 and 39c.

Butter—Choicest creamery, 69¼c.

Eggs—Fresh, $1 to $1.10; selected, 84c; No. 1 stock, 66c; No. 2, 56c to 57c.

Potatoes—Per bag, car lots $2.25 to $2.50.

"Where are you going Xmas? Why not have a party at "The Piccadilly"?

MARKET STAGNANT ON EVE OF HOLIDAY

Transactions in Stocks Show Unusually Small Volume—Money Rate Again Fluctuates Violently.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The extreme dullness of today's stock market, transactions falling to the smallest total of any full session since midsummer, reflected the detached attitude of traders and the public at this period of the year.

Money was the one disquieting feature, call loans rising to 17 per cent. from the opening rate of 10, declining to the initial quotation just before the close. Little or no effort was made to negotiate time loans, which ruled at recent maximum figures.

Moderate activity was manifested by foreign exchange. Reviews of steel trade conditions emphasized expectations of a considerable increase of railroad business early in the coming year, some of which is to be financed by issue of short time notes and trust certificates.

American Tobacco securities, American Linseed, Endicott-Johnson, Columbia Graphophone, Remington Typewriter, California Packing, Barrett Company and several of the Sugar and Shipping issues were conspicuous for their consistent strength at gains of 2 to 7 points.

Rails and representative steels and equipments made only moderate upward progress, and utilities, notably Manhattan Elevated, denoted steady accumulation.

Sales amounted to 625,000 shares.

Bonds were strong on the rebound in speculative rails, investment transportations also stiffening. Liberty issues eased again, but foreign bonds were slightly better. Total sales, par value, aggregated $32,750,000. Old U.S. bonds unchanged on call.

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Stocks—	High.	Low.	Close.
Agr. Chemical	91½	91½	91½
Allis-Chalmers	46¾	46¼	46⅝
Am. Beet Sugar	94	94	94
Am. Can Co., com.	53⅝	53¼	53½
Am. Car Fdy.	138¾	138¼	138¼
Am. Cotton Oil	48¾	47⅞	48⅜
Am. Ice Corp.	113	111	111½
Am. Locomotive	98⅝	97⅝	97⅝
Am. Smelt. & Ref.	66⅝	65	65
Am. Sugar Rfg.	138½	136	137¼
Am. T. and Tel.	97½	97	97
Am. Wool, com.	126½	125⅝	126
Am. Steel Fdy.	44¾	44⅜	44½
Am. Sum. Tob.	97¼	96	96⅜
Anaconda Mining	58⅝	57⅞	58⅛
Anglo-Fr.	95⅜	95½	95¼
Atchison	82¾	82¼	82⅝
Atlantic Gulf	174	173	174
Baldwin Loco.	110	109⅝	110
Baltimore & Ohio	32⅜	31⅞	32¾
Bethlehem Steel	94½	93⅝	93⅝
Butte Sup. Mining	25	25	25
Brooklyn Transit	13⅝	11	11⅝
Canadian Pacific	131¾	130⅝	131
Central Leather	92⅝	95	95⅜
Crucible Steel	212⅜	209⅝	212
Chesapeake & Ohio	64⅝	64¼	64½
Chic., Mil. & St. P.	35⅞	36⅜	36⅜
Chic., R.I. & Pac.	24⅞	26¼	26⅛
Colo. Fuel & Iron	40	40	40
Cons. Gas	82½	81⅝	81⅝
Chino Copper	35⅝	35⅜	35⅜
Cal. Petroleum	42⅝	42⅛	42⅜
Chile Copper	18⅝	18⅜	18⅜
Corn Products	84⅜	84	84⅛
Erie	13¾	13⅝	13⅝
Erie, first pfd.	19⅞	19	19⅝
Gen. Motors	330⅛	329¼	329⅝
Goodrich (B.F.)	78½	77⅝	78⅛
Gt. Nor. Ore	37⅝	37½	37⅝
Gaby	46⅞	46⅝	46⅝
Hide & Lea., pfd.	115⅞	115¼	115⅛
Inspiration Cop.	54⅝	52⅝	54⅜
Int'l. Nickel	21½	21¼	21⅞
Int'l. Mer. Marine	48⅜	47⅜	48
Do., pfd.	106½	104¼	104½
Illinois Central	87	86	87
Kennecott Copper	28½	28¼	28½
Kan. City Southern	15⅞	15½	15½
Lehigh Valley	42⅝	42⅜	42⅝
Lack. Steel	85⅝	85	85
Louisville and N.	111	110⅛	111
Maxwell Motors	32⅜	32	32
Midvale Steel	48⅝	48½	48⅝
Mex. Petroleum	216⅝	215⅛	218¼
Miami Copper	22⅝	22	22
Missouri Pacific	25⅝	25½	25⅝
Mo., Kans. & Texas	9⅝	9⅜	9⅝
New York Central	69⅝	68½	69½
Norfolk & Western	98¼	97	98¼
Northern Pacific	80	79½	79⅝
Ohio Gas	45⅝	44½	45⅝
Pennsylvania R.R.	40¾	40	40¼
People's Gas	34¼	33	34
Pierce Oil	19½	19½	19½
Pressed Steel Car	99	99	99
Reading	77	76⅛	76⅝
Ray Cons. Mining	20¼	20	20
Republic Steel	113⅝	111⅝	113½
Sin. Oil	43	42⅝	43⅛
Southern Pacific	108¼	102⅝	103½
Southern Ry., com.	22	21½	21⅞
Studebaker Corpn.	104	103⅜	104
The Texas Company	226	223¼	223¼
Union Pacific	133¼	121⅝	122⅝
Utah Copper	73½	72¾	73¼
U.S. Ind. Alcohol	110	108½	109½
U.S. Rubber	124⅝	123⅝	123⅞
U.S. Steel, com.	104⅝	104	104⅝
U.S. Steel, pfd.	113	112¾	113
Virginia Chem.	66⅝	65½	65½
Willys-Overland	27⅝	27½	27½
Westinghouse Elec.	53¾	52⅝	53¾

VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

(By F. W. Stevenson, 102 Pemberton Blk.)

	Bid.	Asked.
Athabasca Oil	.27	.30
B.C. Refining	.35	.42
B.C. Permanent Loan	70.00	
Bowena Copper	.15	.27
Boundary Bay Oil		.06
Canada Copper	1.60	1.75
Cons. M. & S.	26.00	
Cork Province		.02¼
Canada Oil & Venture		.00¾
Drum Lummon	.12	.15
Granby	45.00	
Great West Perm.	58.00	
Howe Sound	4.50	4.25
Int'l. Coal	.24	.28
McGillivary	.40	
Pacific Coast Fire	80.00	
Pitt Meadows		.14
Rambler-Cariboo	.12	.19
Silversmith		.20
Silver Crest Mines	.07	.09
Spartan Oil	.08	.12
Standard Lead	.09	
Surf Inlet	.63	.56
Sunloch Mines		.30
Trojan Oil	.09	.10

BONDS

Anglo-French 5s, 1922	100.00	
Victory Loan 1923	98.50	
1923	98.50	100.00
1924	99.00	
1927	100.25	
1933	102.00	
1937	101.50	100.00

MONTREAL STOCKS

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Stocks—	High.	Low.	Close.
Ames Holden	130	130	130
Bell Telephone	113½	113½	113½
Brazilian T.	56½	56¾	56¾
Can. Cement, com.	73¾	73	73¾
Can. Car Fdy. com.	66	66	66
Can. Car Fdy. pfd.	76¾	76¾	76¾
Can. Loco.	95½	95½	95½
Can. Cottons	92	92	94
Int'l. Coal	28	28	28
Detroit United	109	107	108
Dom. Bridge	94½	93½	105½
Dom. Canners	58½	57¼	58¼
Dom. I. and S.	74¾	74¼	74¾

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKETS

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Corn—	Open.	High.	Close.
May	123⅝	124½	123¾
July	122¾	123⅝	121⅝
Jan.	120⅝	121⅝	119⅝
Dec.	144	144⅜	145⅝
Oats—			
Dec.	83¾	83	82¾
May	83	83⅜	83

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Foundation Company Winding Up Affairs

Great Shipbuilding Organization to Disband—Decision Is Result of Failure to Secure Support From Ottawa for Big Scheme—Equipment to Be Stored Temporarily

The dismantling of the great shipbuilding plant of the Foundation Company, delayed for weeks in the hope that further contracts might be secured, will commence forthwith, instructions to that effect being yesterday received from Manager E. E. Jenkins, now in New York.

Mr. Jenkins' telegram authorizing the final demobilization of the equipment is as follows: "No further need holding up dismantling of plant. Proceed to get everything cleaned up and out of the way. Extend season's greetings to force. Leave here December 26 for Seattle."

Local officials of the Foundation Company were not at all agreeable to the proposal of the Dominion Government that the company should undertake the construction of four small lumber schooners. This opposition was based mainly on the grounds that the operations are not sufficiently extensive to provide employment for even a small percentage of the many men whose interests the company had in mind when it made its proposal to built wooden steamers here and take them over on completion, if financial aid during the construction period was forthcoming from the Dominion Government.

It is understood that the valuable equipment now located at the Ogden Point assembly plant will be crated and stored at the shipyards at Point Hope, where the lease from the Provincial Government has a much longer life than that governing the tenancy of the Dominion property at the Outer Docks.

LAKE TRAFFIC SHOWS STARTLING DECLINE

Cessation of War Orders, Strikes and Fewer Vessels Operated Combine to Cut Tonnage.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., Dec. 24.—Tonnage which passed through the United States and Canadian locks and ship canals at this point during the navigation season of 1919 was the lightest registered in five years, according to the engineers' annual report just announced.

Total freight handled through the waterways connecting Lakes Superior and Huron during the year was 68,235,542, compared with 55,369,934 tons in 1914. The shrinkage in cargo volume was general, only a very few lines showing increases this season, although the number of passengers carried was greater than ever before.

The loss in traffic is partially explained by the fact that fewer ships were operated this year than usual, while many of those that were run made fewer trips than usual. Unsettled conditions following the war, cessation of war orders, strikes which tied up docks at the head of the lakes and the coal strike are also blamed. The net registered tonnage of vessels passing through the canals was only 50,000,000, the smallest since 1914.

Lumber shipments showed a continuation of the shrinkage in that commodity that had been noted for a number of years, being only 244,426,000 feet, the smallest since 1888.

Flour shipments, 7,244,495 barrels, were the lightest since 1915, while the movement of wheat was only 113,734,848 bushels, also the lightest since 1911. Other grain totals were 52,736,345 bushels, the lightest in eight years. Iron ore movement was 46,922,792 tons. Salt and oil made gains and general merchandise volume was greater than that of last year.

MAINLAND PILOTS TO SEND DELEGATE HERE

Meeting of Representatives of Vancouver, Nanaimo and Victoria District Pilots Being Arranged

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—Vancouver pilots today held a conference with Capt. B. Johnson, D.S.O., the new District Pilotage Superintendent, and as a result will send a representative to Victoria to meet representatives of the Victoria and the Nanaimo districts on Friday.

The joint meeting will confer further with Capt. Johnson. Three pilotage districts of Vancouver, Victoria and Nanaimo will come under the direct charge of the new district superintendent on the first of the year. The matters under discussion deal with wages and general administration details of the new department.

SILVER FLOOD STILL FLOWING TO ORIENT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24—A big shipment of American silver dollars will form part of the cargo of the liner Empress of Asia, which sails for Yokohama and Hongkong on Christmas Day. The sailing hour has been tentatively set for 2 o'clock and passengers are expected to be on board one hour before sailing. Included in the silver shipment is the $1,500,000 from the train wreck.

WEEKLY BANK CLEARINGS

WINNIPEG, Dec. 24.—The following are the bank clearings for the principal cities of the Dominion for the week ending Dec. 25th, as compared with the same period last year:

	1919	1919
Montreal	$146,311,509	$113,944,235
Toronto	90,069,722	76,082,374
Winnipeg	46,217,028	58,129,146
Vancouver	13,253,058	10,656,963
Ottawa	10,155,433	8,048,441
Calgary	8,081,550	6,260,992
Hamilton	5,785,454	4,617,938
Quebec	3,320,916	3,054,755
London	2,981,977	2,218,047
Regina	2,754,692	2,641,002
St. John	2,491,745	1,977,099
Victoria	2,660,252	1,779,238
Moose Jaw	2,469,552	2,135,660
Brantford	1,190,285	870,972
Fort William	968,579	742,160
Lethbridge	655,674	570,150
Medicine Hat	446,745	346,245
New Westminster	476,973	477,267

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May	25.25	25.80	25.24	25.66
July	24.15	24.80	24.15	24.60
Dec.	28.60	29.80	28.40	29.76

John Torrance Retires

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—After nearly forty years active association with shipping interests here, John Torrance, manager of the White Star-Dominion Line, is retiring from that position at the end of the year.

HERRING PLENTIFUL IS GENERAL REPORT

Run Has Commenced Much Ahead of Usual Time—Quality of Fish Reported Excellent

Fisheries Inspector E. G. Taylor, in charge of District No. 3, reports that the herring season is this year considerably earlier than usual, with an excellent run of fish.

Reports from Nanaimo are to the effect that the prospects are better than ever known, and similar information also comes from the operators on Barclay Sound, who state that they are already running to capacity.

CAPILANO LIGHT IS IN SERIOUS PERIL

Navigation Light at Vancouver Is in Danger of Being Undermined—Ottawa Expert Is Examining Condition.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24.—The lighthouse at the mouth of Capilano River, opposite Prospect Point, is considered to be in grave danger of being washed away and the light keeper has been warned to stay away from the lighthouse until the danger has been removed, according to information obtained early this morning. Ice, boulders, snags and current have worn the protective bank on the north shore until there is a dangerous pressure on the structure. An inspector from the Marine Department at Ottawa was called over on Wednesday and is now on the lighthouse making a careful examination of the situation.

COMING AND GOING

TACOMA, Dec. 24.—Arrived—Strs. Saginaw, towing barge Charles Nelson; Africa Maru, Yokohama. Sailed—Strs. Admiral Watson, Alaska, via Port Stanley, Orient.

PORTLAND, Dec. 24.—Arrived—Motor schr. Schallambra, Puget Sound. Sailed—Strs. Multnomah, San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Arrived—Strs. Northland, Salina Cruz; San Juan, Mazatlan; Ceylon Maru, Balboa. Sailed—Strs. City of Para, Balboa; Rose City, Portland; Nankai Maru, Kobe; Lurline, Honolulu; Lake Antonio, Manila.

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—Arrived—Strs. West Islip, Manila; Redondo, Southeastern Alaska; Fulton, British Columbia ports; Northwestern, Southwestern, via Southeastern Alaska; Prince Rupert, Prince Rupert.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 18.—Arrived—Str. Ixion, Seattle.

BOMBAY, Dec. 11.—Arrived—Str. Babinda, Portland.

KASHIMA MARU WAS DELAYED BY GALES

N.Y.K. Liner Brought 500 Tons of Cargo for This Port—Had Heavy Silk Shipment Aboard

Slightly delayed by heavy weather during the past two days, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Kashima Maru tied up at the Outer Docks shortly after midday yesterday, having taken thirteen days for the run from Japan. Captain Machida reported an excellent trip until the vessel arrived off this coast, when head-on gales were met with.

The Kashima Maru brought about 500 tons of general Oriental cargo for discharge here, together with 13 first class, 8 second class and 31 steerage passengers, the list totalling 71 first class, 41 second class, 96 intermediate and 73 third class, mostly for Seattle.

The first class passengers who left the Kashima Maru here were Miss F. E. Bartlett, Miss E. M. Crooke, Messrs. John Denbigh, A. G. Denbigh, B. W. Gale, S. V. Nicollier, H. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Winch and two children.

The vessel left last night for Seattle, where she will discharge nearly 5,000 tons of general freight in addition to 2,763 bales of raw silk, which will be shipped to the East by special train.

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SAY OIL PROFITEERS SQUEEZE SEVERELY

Investigation Being Made Into Charges of Price-Raising Which Shipping Interests Urge.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Complaints by shipping interests, in the Pacific Coast states, against what is claimed as "an inordinate increase" in the price of fuel oil since 1918, have been made the subject of a special inquiry by Attorney-General Palmer. A decision will be rendered shortly it was announced tonight at the Department of Justice.

Shipping agents at Puget Sound and other points on the Pacific Coast, it was stated recently, made numerous protests against alleged refusal of the oil companies to renew contracts expiring in 1918, for fuel oil at prices which had prevailed for three years prior to that time. In general these protestants have asserted prices have advanced in consequence $1 additional per barrel for fuel oil.

Shipping companies, the protests say, have been compelled to pass part of this burden of increased cost along to the public. Passenger rates on coastwise vessels, it is added, have been advanced to an almost prohibitive price.

NEW WAR-BUILT BOAT CONSIDERED A LOSS

Canadian Recruit Flooded Amidships and Rudderless—Struck Twice in St. Lawrence

MONTREAL, Dec. 24. — The steamer Canadian Recruit, of the Canadian Government mercantile marine, is likely to become a total loss and there is practically no prospects of her being salved. She has lost her rudder, which was the reason for her twice going ashore, and water is in No. 2 hold and the engine room. She was built by the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company at a cost of $768,750 and is a vessel of 3,750 deadweight tons.

'FRISCO FERRY SYSTEM SUFFERS IN FOGBANKS

Three Days of Heavy Mist Cause Much Trouble in San Francisco Bay

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 24.—Two ferryboats, the Thoroughfare and Jeffrey, belonging to the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific Railroads, respectively, were being operated in a crippled condition today, while a third, the Encinal of the Southern Pacific Company, was temporarily out of commission as the result of mishaps in a fog which has been clinging to the bay district for three days.

WIRELESS REPORT

(By Government Wireless)

6 p.m.

Point Grey—Cloudy; N.W.; 29.98; 45; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Rain; calm; 29.92; 38; sea smooth.

Pachena—No report.

Estevan—Overcast; calm; 29.90; 43; heavy sea.

Alert Bay—Overcast; calm; 29.64; 44; sea smooth. At 6 p.m.—Str. Venture passed out, northbound; 7 p.m.—Spoke str. Princess Ena abeam at 2 p.m., northbound.

Ocean Falls—Rain; light; N.W.; 29.79; 46; sea smooth. Str. Chelohsin passed out at 5:30 p.m., southbound.

Triangle—Cloudy; N.W.; 29.82; 44; rough. At 4:30 p.m. spoke str. Princess Maquinna abeam Quatsino Light.

Dead Tree—Passing showers; calm; 29.68; 39; sea smooth. Str. Prince John passed in at 4 p.m., northbound.

Ikeda—Overcast; calm; 29.76; 44; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Rain; S.W., strong; 29.55; 44; rough.

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PRINCESS MAY NOW SAFELY IN HARBOR

One-time British Columbia Coaster Arrives at Delaware Breakwater After Accident

DELAWARE BREAKWATER, Del., Dec. 24.—The British steamer Princess May, Jamaica for New York, which wirelessed for assistance several days ago when 150 miles south of Sandy Hook, arrived today.

SHIPYARD LABORERS ELECT NEW OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Victoria local of the Shipyard Laborers, Riggers and Fasteners Union, held on Tuesday evening, the following were elected as the officers for 1920: President, H. Porter, first vice-president, C. W. Adams; second vice-president, P. Clarke; warden, J. R. Humphreys; guard, T. Lavis; trustees, C. Wylie, T. Inward and Cook; secretary-treasurer, P. O'Hara.

REVELSTOKE MEN SENT TO HOSPITAL

REVELSTOKE, B. C., Dec. 24.—C. Coursen, rancher, Big Bend, and Frank Bruner, of this city, the latter of whom attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself on Sunday, December 14, left this evening for the mental hospital at New Westminster, the former accompanied by Provincial Constable Mead and the latter by City Constable Calder.

Arthur Coeffin, who had the misfortune to lose the sight of an eye as the result of a piece of steel entering it while working at R. Sawyer's sawmill, has been sent to Vancouver, where the eye will be removed.

Revelstoke's post office business has more than doubled that of any previous year, and the staff is working to capacity with largely increased help.

RETAIL COAL PRICE RAISED AT CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—It was announced here today that the retail price of coal would be advanced 30 and 35 cents a ton on all bituminous coal mined since the settlement of the recent miners' strike to make up for the 14 per cent wage increase the workers gained.

"This does not mean that no coal will be sold at the government price," one dealer said, "but that the Garfield order is not retroactive on contracts executed before it was made, and all contracts contained a clause providing for the passing along of any increase in mining costs. Those who have no contract for coal will get it at the government price. However, most operators have their entire output sold under contract, so the price increase will be pretty general."

Arthur Capel Killed

NICE, France, Dec. 24.—Arthur Capel, who during the war was political secretary to the Inter-

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'TIS Christmas today—the merriest gladdest day of all the year; a day of giving and receiving; a day when families reunite, and long-parted friends renew the pleasant memories of the past, with hearty hand-clasps and messages of kindly greeting. And, as we gather round the festive board today or join in the Christmas merriments, may our hearts be lighter and our happiness greater in the knowledge that we have held out the helping hand to someone less fortunate than we.

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